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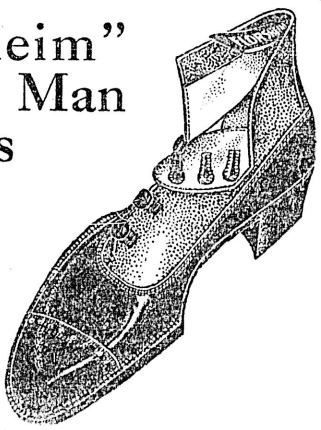
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ESTIMATES FOR ARMY AND NAVY

British Military Expense to Be Decreased by Small Amount

NAVY SLIGHTLY INCREASED

Direct Assertion Made That Navy Standard Must Be Kept Up

London, Feb. 24.—The army estimates for 1908-09 have been issued. The gross total is \$154,195,120, as against \$155,211,830 for 1907-8. The war secretary, Mr. Haldane, estimates for a total of 185,000 men in the home and colonial establishments, irrespective of India. This is a decrease of 5,000 men from last year.

The navy estimates for 1908-09 were issued this evening. They amount to \$161,597,500, as against \$157,087,500 for 1907-8. The agitation for economy has had some effect on the shipbuilding programme, which contemplates only one improved warship of the Dreadnaught type, instead of the three expected. The government proposes to build one large armoured cruiser, six fast protected cruisers, sixteen torpedo boat destroyers and some submarines. The number of the last mentioned vessels is not given, but the year estimated to cost \$2,500,000.

In an explanatory statement Lord Tweedmouth, the First Lord of the Admiralty, points out that an increased expenditure is inevitable, but by the strictest economy he was able to confine it to \$4,500,000.

On April 1 next the British navy will have under construction seven battleships, four armoured cruisers, one unarmoured cruiser, ten torpedo boat destroyers, twenty torpedo boats and eight submarines.

Lord Tweedmouth shows how a gradual and continuous diminution in the armament required for the competition which was initiated in 1895, when it reached the maximum of \$75,000,000, was still possible, the amount being \$37,725,000 as compared with \$40,000,000 last year. He announced the definite intention to proceed with the construction of a naval base at Rosyth, Scotland, which in addition to having a basin capable of accommodating 22 warships, will include a depot for submarines and destroyers. The whole work, it is estimated, will occupy a decade in building and will cost \$16,250,000.

Among the inevitable increases in expenditure, such as the increased cost of coal and provisions and the higher pay of the men, he mentioned the Cunard subsidy, for the Lusitania and Mauretania, which now stands at the full amount of \$750,000.

The naval estimates provide for exactly the same number of officers and men as last year.

The estimates for the British defence forces for the current year which were issued today, will disappoint the peace party, as instead, as they have hoped, of showing a reduction, the combined estimates of the navy show an increase of \$3,000,000 without apparently any hope of any considerable diminution in the future.

Lord Tweedmouth, first lord of the admiralty, explains outright that the future programme of Great Britain will depend on whether foreign powers increase their naval forces, since the government has every intention of maintaining the standard of the British navy which hitherto has been deemed necessary.

The war secretary, Mr. Haldane, in a

similar statement regarding the army says: "Looking to the future, I am convinced that it is impossible to make further diminutions in the army expenditures on a considerable scale, unless we first of all reduce the number of troops serving abroad."
"Garrisons abroad," he adds, "will be reduced whenever that can be safely done, but if reductions in the regular army are carried too far a demand will ultimately have to be made on the citizens' force such as hitherto has never been contemplated."

CALLING IN FUNDS

Secretary Cortelyou Calls on Banks to Pay Back More of Public Money

Washington, Feb. 24.—The secretary of the United States treasury today announced a call upon national banks for approximately 25 per cent. of the public funds now held in active depositaries having on deposit such funds in the sum of \$100,000 or more, where such withdrawal can be made without inconvenience to the treasury department in the transaction of public business. Under the call approximately \$35,000,000 will be returned to the treasury department. Payments under this call will be made as follows: Ten per cent. of the amount called on or before March 9 and the remaining 15 per cent. on or before March 23.

Secretary Cortelyou stated that advice from all portions of the country are to the effect that this proportion of the government funds now on deposit with the national banks can be withdrawn without detriment to financial conditions in any section.

MEN OF BATTLESHIPS WATCHED BULLFIGHT

Were Edified by Seeing Animals Injure Two Matadors

Lima, Peru, Feb. 24.—Ten thousand spectators, more than half of whom were officers and men of the American fleet, witnessed a thrilling bull fight here this afternoon. President Prado and his staff occupied the royal box, and the adjoining boxes were filled with the higher officers of the visiting warships. Society, too, was prominently represented, and the spectacle from start to finish was not soon to be forgotten, especially by those who had never watched such a scene before.

The dangers of bullfighting were graphically illustrated. The first bull in the ring tossed the chief matador and disabled him from further work. The fifth bull gored the throat of the second matador, and he was carried bleeding to his quarters. It is not likely that he can survive.

The spectacle of officers in uniform, ladies in gorgeous gowns and picture hats, as though attired for some afternoon reception, and thousands of sailors gathered around the ring, was a brilliant one, and during the fighting with the bulls the enthusiasm was unbounded. The bands played "Hail Columbia" and the "Star Spangled Banner," during which all stood up. They stood again at the arrival of the president of Peru, when the bands played the Peruvian national anthem. Although there was great excitement at times, everything went off in perfect order. At the conclusion of the sport, however, clouds covered the sky and rain then began to fall.

Thursday being President Prado's birthday, there will be another bullfight.

AMBASSADOR BRYCE

Visit to Montreal—Degree of LL.D. Conferred Upon Him By McGill University

Montreal, Feb. 24.—James Bryce, British ambassador to the United States, arrived in the city from Ottawa at noon today. He was accompanied by Mrs. Bryce, their Excellencies the Governor-General and Lady Grey, Lady Sybil Grey and Lord Lascelles, A. D. C. The party was met at the station by Sir Thomas Shaughnessy, whose guests Mr. and Mrs. Bryce will be while in Montreal.

At 4 this afternoon Mr. Bryce had the honorary degree of LL.D. conferred upon him by McGill University, the Governor-General being among the distinguished audience present.

Sir Thomas Shaughnessy entertained at dinner in Mr. Bryce's honor this evening.

Gould Family at Toronto

Toronto, Feb. 24.—The private car of George Gould arrived here today with members of his family and friends. The railway president himself returned from Hamilton to New York.

Worried Broker's Suicide.

London, Feb. 24.—J. G. Baldon, a well known broker who dealt mostly in American railroad securities, committed suicide by shooting himself at his home in Dulwich, a suburb of this city, yesterday. He at one time conducted a large business, which recently had fallen off. Worry over financial matters is given as the cause of the suicide.

Crew Has Disappeared

New York, Feb. 24.—The American schooner Wm. H. Skinner was sighted waterlogged and abandoned 200 miles northeast of Cape Hatteras by the steamer Byron, which arrived today from Rio Janeiro. Except for her foremast, the schooner had been dismantled, and a white flag was flying at the foremast head. There was nothing to indicate the fate of her crew. It was evident that the schooner had been blown off her course, as she was bound to New Haven, Conn., from Georgetown, S. C., having sailed from the latter port on February 14. The schooner was commanded by Capt. Griffith. She was 165 feet long, and her tonnage was 489. She was owned in New York.

CONSERVATIVES STILL OPPOSE

New Education Bill Liked as Little as Its Predecessor

BIRRELL BILL MODIFIED

Has Apparently Small Prospect of Passing House of Lords

London, Feb. 24.—The new education bill was introduced in the House of Commons today by Reginald McKenna, president of the board of education. The bill regulates the conditions under which public money may be applied in aid of elementary education in England and Wales. The House of Commons was crowded for the occasion.

The new measure is not as contentious as the Birrell education bill of 1906, which the House of Lords threw into the wastepaper basket without ceremony. The two main principles embodied in the new bill are that there shall be complete public control of the elementary schools by locally elected bodies, and that there shall be no denominational tests in the appointment of teachers. In speaking of the bill Mr. McKenna said that failure to pass the ministerial proposals would give a most powerful impetus to the movement to secure the total abolition of religious instruction in the schools.

Mr. McKenna explained that under this bill there would be two kinds of schools receiving state assistance. The first and predominant would be the public elementary school, provided for by the public, controlled by the public and managed by the public, while the second and exceptional type would be voluntary schools, which are supported by the various denominations. The latter, if not carried on for the benefit of denominations, would be given exchequer grants in aid, but they would receive no support from the rates. The local authorities have to provide simple Bible instruction in all the elementary schools, but the school buildings would be available after school hours for denominational instruction by voluntary teachers, the pupils voluntarily staying over for such teachings.

A. J. Balfour attacked the bill bitterly, and in spite of the modifications introduced by Mr. McKenna it is apparent that the Conservatives and the churchmen intend to wage as uncompromising a war upon the present measure as they did upon the Birrell bill of 1906.

TYNESIDE TROUBLES REACH SETTLEMENT

Provisional Agreement Arrived at by Representatives of Both Sides

London, Feb. 24.—A provisional agreement looking to the ending of the shipbuilders' and allied engineers' strike along the Tyne was reached in this city today.

At a meeting of representatives of the employees and of the employers, terms for the settlement of the difficulty were provisionally accepted, both sides promising to recommend the acceptance of the finding of their respective bodies.

The strike of shipbuilders on the Tyne began early in January. By the middle of February the strikers had been joined by the allied engineers, who voted by an overwhelming majority against a reduction in wages, and it was feared at one time that the entire Tyne shipbuilding industry would be completely tied up.

The situation was so serious four days ago that troops were drafted in to assist the local police at Sunderland to put down disorder.

MR. GOMPERS SPEAKS ON UNIONS' BEHALF

Says They Will Not Be Driven Out By Actions of the Courts

Washington, Feb. 24.—Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor, before the House committee on the judiciary today, asserted that labor organizations are not going to be "driven out of existence" notwithstanding adverse decisions by the courts. He expressed confidence that the president of the United States sincerely sympathized "with all our people," and added: "I have reason to believe that the president is not thoroughly informed as to the real remedy for the cause of complaint."

"Of all the measures before the judiciary committee," said Mr. Gompers, "the Pearce bill comes the nearest to giving the working people what they want."

wrongs that they do, hoping and praying and working for a time when effective justice will be granted them, than to consent to a wrong principle which would effectually, and for a great length of time, manacle the working people, and prevent any sort of tangible relief, believing and knowing that time will bring the relief to which these people are entitled."

Mr. Gompers added: "I don't know what the courts will do, and what executives will do, goaded on by our voracious enemies, but I want to say to you just as solemnly as I can say, that the organizations of labor which have done so much to protect and improve the condition of the working people will not be driven out. You cannot afford to place the stigma of unlawfulness upon organizations which have done so much within the law to improve the conditions of the working people."

Mr. Gompers made the prediction that the labor organizations would be heard from in the impending campaign.

Rushing G. T. P. Work

Dryden, Ont., Feb. 24.—There are now some 2,000 laborers working in 23 camps of the Eastern Construction Company, covering 21 miles of the Transcontinental railway. Where it is possible this number will be considerably increased at once, in accordance with the orders from the office of the Transcontinental railway commission at Ottawa that this portion of the highway between Winnipeg and Lake Superior Junction must be rushed to completion.

REFORMS IN CONGO REQUIRE MUCH TIME

Lord Fitzmaurice Points to Enormous Difficulties in the Road

London, Feb. 24.—In the House of Lords debate today on the Congo situation, Lord Fitzmaurice, representing the foreign office, pleaded for more time for action on the part of the Belgian government. He pointed out the enormous difficulties, both international and Belgian, that were in the way of speedy accomplishment of the reforms in the Congo desired by everybody. The British government, the speaker said, would not regard as satisfactory anything short of complete vindication of all the treaty obligations and the claims of humanity. Lord Fitzmaurice said he thought the appeals made for the country had received a marked response from the United States.

Continuing, Lord Fitzmaurice said: "I regard the co-operation of the United States of the highest importance, not merely because of the influence and power of the United States, great as this is, but because the United States could not under any conceivable circumstances be charged with what Great Britain unfortunately has been charged, namely, purely selfish ambition. One question in which the people of the United States and ourselves are particularly interested is the refusal of the Congo state to carry out its treaty obligations with regard to the granting of rights for the chapels, services and schools of the various missions. I can only promise the house that the foreign office will not lose sight of this question, and that it will continue to press it."

In announcing the early publication of a white book on the Congo, Lord Fitzmaurice said: "This book will include the first outward and visible sign of the co-operation between ourselves and the United States, a very interesting extract from the report of an American consul which by permission we were allowed to incorporate."

The report to which Lord Fitzmaurice refers is that of James A. Smith, the American consul general at Boma. It dealt with the virtual forced labor imposed upon the natives by the food taxes, the conditions of rubber collecting and the cheating practiced upon them in the delivery of rubber by false weights. The report shows that the women in the villages of the Leopold district practically have ceased to bear children owing to the incessant work made necessary for the payment of the food taxes.

Affects Standard Oil's Case.

Chicago, Feb. 24.—"The decision that the Hepburn Act does not repeal section 1 of the Elkins Act takes away one of the big points on which the Standard Oil is basing its appeal from the fine imposed by Judge Landis," said United States District Attorney Sims today. Incidentally, Judge Landis was the first jurist to decide this point.

Against Battleships.

Washington, Feb. 24.—A petition against the proposed increase of the United States navy by the expenditure of over \$60,000,000 for four new battleships was laid before the senate today by Senator Hale, chairman of the committee on naval affairs. The petition is signed by Bishop Henry C. Potter, of New York, and other clergymen, who desire the naval programme limited to one battleship.

Mr. Fish Draws Back.

Chicago, Feb. 24.—Upon motion of counsel for a Stayesant Fish, Judge Ball today entered an order dismissing the suit brought by Mr. Fish and others to enjoin the voting of 231,231 shares of Illinois Central stock owned by the Union Pacific railway company and the Railroad Securities company. The suit was dismissed at the complainant's cost.

Japan's Need of Money.

Berlin, Feb. 24.—The tightening of financial conditions in Japan is regarded by the banks here as likely to result in the transfer from London to Tokio of a large portion of Japan's balances, and to disturb somewhat European money markets. Japan's balances in London are estimated at between \$60,000,000 and \$75,000,000. The prolonged doubts concerning Japan's intentions towards the United States in the immigration dispute have tended to make European bankers with Japanese connections withdraw their loans and conduct their business with unusual caution.

CIVIL SERVANTS MIX IN POLITICS

Opposition Objects to Actions of I. C. R. Men in New Brunswick

MINISTER'S BAD EXAMPLE

Mr. Fielding's Budget Speech Expected Some Day This Week

Ottawa, Feb. 24.—The participation of the Intercolonial employees in the New Brunswick elections formed the principal topic at today's session of the house. The matter was brought up by Mr. Foster, who complained in particular of the actions of Henry and Alphonse Leblanc, who he charged were making an exhibition of unjust partisanship. Dr. Pugsley, the minister of public works, had set the example by going to St. John and making promises of public works in turn for support of the government candidates. Nineteen-twentieths of the public servants in the northwest, he asserted, were political managers, anxious and ready to do the bidding of their masters. The appointment of Leech in connection with the distribution of seed grain was an insult to the people of the country. Mr. Foster closed by claiming that the prime minister could no longer afford to act the part of a Pharisee.

Hon. Mr. Graham said there was a time when the whole staff in the Moncton shops of the Intercolonial could have been turned loose and Mr. Foster would not have noticed it. Then, all this fuss about the actions of two minor employees?

Mr. Pugsley said he was not ashamed of anything he had done or said in New Brunswick. He had held out no promises. It was enough to point to the record of the Liberal party in that province, a statement which was greeted with ironical cheers from the opposition.

Mr. Ganong took direct issue with the minister in regard to his statement that he had made no promises. Mr. Borden complained that Mr. Graham had treated the matter with levity. What of the declaration of the House of Commons, that employees should not take an active part in elections? Mr. Pugsley's denial was too transparent to fool either the house or the country.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier said that he had the assurance of Mr. Pugsley that he made no such promises as had been alleged to him.

Mr. Foster closed the debate with a speech in which he declared that the record of the government, with its Wagners, Leeches and Jacksons, was not only reprehensible but was one for which the country would hold the premier responsible.

The remainder of the session was devoted to discussion of the Hamilton Radical Railway bill.

Mr. Lavergne introduced a bill providing that railways shall run their trains on time except for unavoidable delays or be subject to a penalty of \$5 per minute. The bill provides that steamship companies plying on inland waters shall carry members of parliament free of charge.

Mr. Fielding may deliver the budget speech this week, following the passage of the French treaty.

D. H. Ross, Canadian trade commissioner in Melbourne, Australia, has been granted permission to return to Canada for the purpose of conferring with Canadian manufacturers and exporters regarding the extension of trade relations with Australia. J. S. Larke, Canadian trade commissioner in Sydney, in a report to the Trade and Commerce department, says the prosperity of the past four seasons has put the finances of Australia, both private and public, in fine condition.

The report of the Quebec bridge commission has been handed to the minister of railways and canals, and will be submitted to parliament some day this week.

Train Partly Wrecked.

Sedalia, Mo., Feb. 24.—Part of the westbound Missouri Pacific passenger train No. 1, which left St. Louis this morning for Kansas City, went into the ditch two miles east of Sedalia this afternoon. The engine, mail car and baggage car left the track, and John Groves of St. Louis, the baggage master, and Claude Chancel, the engineer, were slightly hurt. The passenger cars remained on the track and none of the passengers were hurt.

Ottawa Woman's Disappearance.

Ottawa, Feb. 24.—Mrs. W. P. Hanley, wife of a clerk, who has been in the post office department for 25 years, has disappeared mysteriously. She was one of the victims of the Caledon wreck last September, and was in the hospital until January, attended by a nurse, when she left for home. She was traced to Toronto and is thought to have gone to California. She was a widow when she married Hanley in 1906. No motive for her flight is given.

Ontario Legislature.

Toronto, Feb. 24.—The leader of the opposition and Premier Whitney will probably conclude the debate on the address from the throne tomorrow afternoon. One hundred and eight petitions asking for the repeal of the three-fifths clause in the local option law were laid on the table of the legislature this afternoon. The new shops act introduced on Friday provides that no children under 12 years may be employed in shops. The government is also considering an amendment making it unlawful for boys under 16 years to be employed in delivering goods with vehicles.



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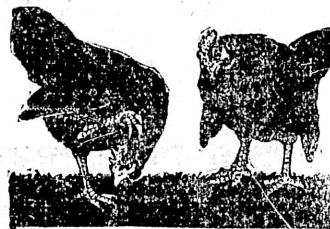
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JOHN OLIVER UPON BUDGET

Member for Delta Continued the Debate—His Criticism of Minister's Statement

A TRIBUTE TO MR. NADEN

J. H. Hawthornthwaite Introduces Bill Amending Settlers' Rights Act

The debate upon the budget was resumed at the sitting of the legislature yesterday by John Oliver. The member for Delta devoted a full quarter of the time which he utilized to an attack upon the attorney-general. He took exception to that gentleman's remarks at Vancouver on the preceding Saturday evening, and he waxed very indignant over his pleading in a private case while the house was in session and while he was enjoying a stipend from the province.

He took exception to the means by which, he claimed, the surplus for the last fiscal year had been rolled up. He said that it was by the alienation to speculators of the crown lands, the timber lands and the resources of British Columbia generally.

If Mr. Oliver had waxed warm when he denounced the lack of modesty of the attorney-general, his tone took on a pathetic note when he referred to the shortcomings of the government with regard to the votes for constituencies. The average vote to those which were represented by Liberals in the house amounted to but \$8,000, he said, while that to Conservative ridings was far more. Delta had a vote of but \$1,100. When the Hon. Richard McBride interpolated a remark about a bridge (New Westminster bridge) which had been built across the Fraser for the benefit of the constituency of Delta, and which had cost \$1,000,000, Mr. Oliver's laugh was almost sardonic, and he perpetrated what was almost a pun. "Yes," he said, and if you cross that bridge with a sucking pig, you have to pay a toll upon it. I call that extremely pleasurable."

Mr. Oliver's criticism throughout was along very much the same line. He continually acclaimed the hon. minister of finance as the ablest of the lieutenant-governor's advisers. He averred that in that gentleman's word the opposition had confidence.

A pleasing incident marked the sitting and proved that for once virtue is not alone its own reward. As the hon. member for Greenwood, G. R. Naden, was writing quietly at his desk and the legislature rapidly committed various bills, the sergeant-at-arms entered bearing a vase containing some beautiful carnations. These he proceeded to deposit upon the desk of that hon. gentleman. For an instant the significance of the act was a mystery, but as the memory of Mr. Naden's spirited battle in the cause of female suffrage dawned again in the minds of the members, the incident was hailed with cheers and handclapping from the ranks of both government and opposition, a tribute which the member for Greenwood bore blushing.

When Mr. Hawthornthwaite yesterday learned that the government did not intend to bring in a bill extending the terms of the Vancouver Island Settlers' Rights act he introduced a bill to that effect. It provides that the time in which application may be made for permission to benefit under the terms of the act be extended from December, 1904, to December 31, 1909.

The premier's motion providing for night sittings from now until the close of the session was formally passed. A session last evening was contemplated, but was later withdrawn, and the house adjourned until today at 2 o'clock. It is altogether likely that there will be an evening session today.

The Speaker took the chair at 2:30 o'clock.

Prayers by Rev. Robert Connell.

No Legislation This Session

In answer to a question of Mr. Hawthornthwaite, Hon. Mr. McBride said: I take this opportunity for explaining to the house that it is not the intention of the government to bring down any legislation during the present session in regard to the Vancouver island settlers rights, which means that the government does not intend to make any provision going beyond the terms which have already been agreed upon by this parliament. I may further state, for the information of my hon. friend that this matter was only decided upon two or three days ago. This is the first opportunity that I have since had for making this communication to the house.

Night Sessions Start

On motion of Hon. Mr. McBride night sessions begin at 8 p. m., and to count as distinct sittings were ordered for the balance of the session.

Order of the House

Mr. Yorlton (Carlton) moved that an order of this house be granted for a return of all correspondence, tenders or other documents of any kind in connection with the construction or operation of the ferry across the Fraser river at Quesnel.

He complained that, whereas, \$2,400 had been voted last session for a ferry at this point, some \$4,800 had been expended by the government on the work, although a tender for \$1,800 accompanied by a certified cheque for \$600 had been forwarded to the government by a responsible party prior to the beginning of operations under the direct control of government officials.

The order was granted.

John Oliver on Budget

In resuming the debate on the motion "that the Speaker do now leave the chair" for the purpose of going into committee of supply.

Mr. Oliver congratulated the finance minister upon the clearance and lucidity of the financial statement which he had made to the house on Thursday last. (Applause.)

Its clearness had only been equalled by his modesty, a quality in which both his colleagues on the government side would do well to imitate him. He dwelt at some length upon the attorney-general's speech at Vancouver and in proceeding offered the attorney-general some advice—that he should stick more closely to the facts and to the less assets of the province. Mr. Oliver had promised that the 200 Hindus on the Montague would be excluded, he had previously

promised the legislature and his constituents in Vancouver that with the enactment of his Natal measure not a single Japanese would be allowed to land. This promise he had never carried out and his action in striking out subsection 1 in the bill had shown that he had no intention of keeping them out. By that action he had invited disallowance on the part of the federal government.

The attorney-general had stated in Vancouver Saturday evening that it was not the Japanese themselves who were seeking their liberty and enjoying to pay and at the moment are recently enacted, but it was the agents of the Dominion government.

Yet in Victoria the twenty-three Japanese had been detained, not by the provincial officers but by the Dominion officers.

Hon. W. J. Bowser: These Japanese were arrested at the Japanese hotel, living houses by the provincial officers. Mr. Oliver asserted that those who were detained were held by the Dominion officers, according to the reports in the newspapers.

Hon. Mr. Bowser: I do not take the reports of the newspapers for the actions of my officers.

Not Playing Fair

Mr. Oliver, in continuing, asserted that the attorney-general was not playing fair with the province. He took exception to that gentleman's time he should have given to its service, for his private practice.

Perhaps it was modesty on the part of Hon. Mr. Bowser which had caused him to entrust the case for the province in the appeal then in course of hearing by the full court to Mr. Cass of Vancouver. He had found that the week previous to leave the house and appear in a case in which he was junior counsel.

Hon. Mr. McBride: I think that my hon. friend might be fair enough to explain that my colleague was connected with this litigation long before he became a member of the administration. (Hear, hear.)

Mr. Oliver asked how the members of the legislature were to know this and the premier told him to look at the court records.

Congratulates Minister.

Turning his attention to the matter in hand, the member for Delta congratulated the finance minister upon having been able to redeem \$676,000 of the bonds at par. He pointed out that the opposition had warned the government at the time the \$1,000,000 loan was made against borrowing so large a sum and for so long a period as ten years. It was a time of depression, and it would have been possible to have made a smaller loan for a shorter period to tide them over until the depression was past.

In any event, nearly \$400,000 more money was borrowed than was necessary, as the public accounts showed. Hon. Mr. Tatlow: This statement has been made a great many times and I wish to settle it once and for all. The million dollar loan was received and placed to the credit of the province March 1, 1904 and on February 29, the day previous, we had overdrafts on current account of \$663,000, including overdraft of \$11,000 at the Bank of British Columbia, while we owned the estates and suitors fund trust account \$151,000, making in all nearly \$850,000, respecting which we were absolutely behind and leaving us only \$150,000 to carry on the business of the country from March 1. (Hear, hear.)

In any event, Mr. Oliver stated, the liabilities were but \$314,187, while the amount borrowed was \$1,000,000, and in the June following there was to the credit of current account \$513,000.

Hon. Mr. Tatlow: Yes. The taxes had come in.

Mr. Oliver asserted that the finance minister's inclusion of the \$150,000 to the suitors' fund in the above explanation was not correct. The province borrowed this \$150,000, which was unnecessary, and paid to the Bank of Commerce 2 per cent upon it. The province was paying that 2 per cent to this very day.

Hon. Mr. Tatlow: Yes, we pay 3 per cent for it and we place it in the Canadian Bank of Commerce and we get 3 per cent interest from them on it. (Applause.)

Mr. Oliver expressed the fear that the finance minister had sat so long next to the first minister that he was acquiring the "quibbling" habit. They were still receiving money and paying it out in connection with this account.

Hon. Mr. Tatlow: We had to repay that money because it was a trust fund and we were liable to be called upon for it at any time.

Entitled to Credit.

In continuing Mr. Oliver stated that he believed the hon. finance minister was entitled to credit for the reduction of the public debt. He wished to direct the attention of the house to the cost at which this had been done. It had been by the alienation of large tracts of crown land, timber and other resources, and these had passed into the hands of speculators largely.

One of the strongest arguments of the hon. the premier at Ottawa for better terms had been that the resources and revenues of the province were not sufficient to meet the requirements. The statements of the finance minister in this regard had gone far to show that this argument was incorrectly based if the conditions which had prevailed for the last year or so were normal. But they were not normal. He would show that by the alienation of the timber wealth of the province and by the sale of Crown lands, an abnormal condition of affairs had been created.

The government had alienated 500,000 acres of timber lands and that largely to speculators. This had caused the increase in revenue. He offered figures in support of this contention.

The revenue from timber licenses for the year 1904-05 was \$312,194, while for the year 1906-07 it was \$500,252, an increase of 150 per cent. The royalties for the same periods were 1904-05, \$196,947, 1906-07, \$196,849. In other words there had practically been no change in the amount of the timber cut though the amount of timber alienated had trebled.

The royalties for the last year had amounted to \$255,094, an increase of 36 per cent over that of the year previous. He would show that this timber was passing into the hands of speculators. The above figures proved this.

There had been an increase of 30 per cent in the amount of the royalties on the timber manufactured while in the increase in the amount of timber licensed was 422 per cent as compared with this 30 per cent increase meant that the timber was being licensed as fast as it was being manufactured.

Hence the revenue was clearly an abnormal revenue. Since the close of the last fiscal year the cut of timber had decreased materially. The revenue from royalties had fallen away during the first six months of the present fiscal year to \$100,000. The finance minister had practically admitted this since in his estimates for the nine months of the next fiscal year he estimated the revenue from royalties at but \$150,000,

or \$200,000 for 12 months, a falling off of 27 per cent.

Government's Policy

He perceived that it was the intention of the government to continue the policy of timber preserves, and he found that the estimated receipts from license fees during the next financial year was fixed at \$909,000; while no less than 7,714,000 acres of timber lands were reported to be at the present time under license, although the government's timber policy had only been in existence for a little over two years, and it was quite evident to him that the government, alarmed at the results which had so closely followed upon the adoption of their own much-vaunted policy, had been absolutely forced to make these timber reserves. He was, however, quite convinced that the present depression, and particularly as concerned the lumber interests, was merely temporary.

Mr. Hawthornthwaite: Can the hon. gentleman favor the house with his reasons for this belief?

Mr. Oliver: I can cite numerous reasons, and would do so now if time permitted. (Hear, hear.) The advertisements connected with the staking of timber limits and applications for licenses to cut timber, be continued, had filled not merely column after column, but sheet after sheet, of the newspapers which supported this government.

Hon. Mr. McBride: But these were not government advertisements!

Mr. Oliver: I did not say that they were government advertisements.

Hon. Mr. McBride: All this, then, merely proves that these people show their good sense by placing their advertisements in conservative newspapers. (Laughter and applause.)

Mr. Oliver gave figures to show that the government's timber policy had favored the speculator.

Hon. Mr. McBride: I would ask the hon. gentleman, what does he wish the house to understand by the term "speculator?"

Mr. Oliver: I simply refer to those who acquire limits merely to hold and not for the purpose of immediate or early use.

During the last financial year the sum of \$255,000 had been obtained in royalties from this source, while it was also stated that royalty had been paid on 910,000,000 feet; and when he compared the figures, he found a discrepancy of some \$118,906.

Criticizes Timber Policy.

Taking the cut of last year, which was the largest in the history of the province, the acreage now under license would provide the province with timber for 300 years, on the basis of 20,000 feet to the acre—a figure which was said not to be unreasonable, and the present consumption, and as these leases ran for terms of 21 years, the consequence must be that only the finest of the timber would be cut and injury must result. He observed that the president of the council shook his head. (Were the figures which were furnished by the government incorrect?)

Hon. F. L. Carter-Cotton: No; but your deduction is not correct.

Mr. Oliver proceeded to say that the rather depressed condition of affairs in the Northwest Territories did not justify hope of an excellent market being found, either for lumber and for produce in that quarter. This was shown by the fact that the Dominion government had advanced over \$3,000,000 to purchase seed grain for the farmers in that section, while manufacturers were complaining that their drafts for goods sold in those territories were coming back dishonored. It was not pleasant to mention these things, but these were facts.

Discusses Estimates.

Taking up the estimates for public works, he said that if the assurances which had been given him were fulfilled he had no reason to complain as far as the expenditure in his own constituency was concerned; but nevertheless he could not close his eyes to the fact that, in conformity with the policy of past years, the constituencies which were represented by opposition members were, in not exactly starved, only meted out enough of the public funds to keep work from going all to pieces. On the other hand, not only were the direct grants to the constituencies represented by the supporters of the government almost double as much, but indirectly they also obtained a much greater proportion of the public money than the former.

Hon. Mr. McBride—The estimates are prepared in accordance with the requirements of the different constituencies. (Hear, hear.)

Mr. Oliver remarked—That only \$1,100 was voted for his own constituency.

Hon. Mr. McBride—You are forgetting the million dollar bridge which you got a few years ago.

"Picayunish" Policy

Mr. Oliver—And we have to pay toll everytime we cross it. (Some laughter.)

Hon. Mr. McBride—And the hon. gentleman was a party to the arrangements, which provided for these tolls. (Hear, hear.)

Mr. Oliver—But it was not the intention when we made those arrangements that they should remain in for all eternity. (Great laughter.)

Why, if a farmer only takes a sucking pig across it, he must pay toll, and this, Mr. Speaker, is a picayunish policy. (A voice, "Perhaps he means a Pig-ayunish policy.") As his constituency was being punished to the extent of thousands of dollars, owing to the fact that it was represented by a member of the opposition, he was seriously considering the propriety of sending in his resignation, on the ground that his services were not worth so great a sacrifice. (Hear, hear.)

Hon. Mr. McBride—Are you really going to do it? (Laughter.)

Mr. Oliver—I will tell my hon. friend what I am prepared to do. If he will consent, I will have half a dozen meetings called, at which we will discuss all these things, and I will abide by their decision. (Opposition applause and some laughter.)

Hon. Mr. McBride—Why did the hon. gentleman not point out these conditions at the meetings which were held during the campaign, that was the time to act.

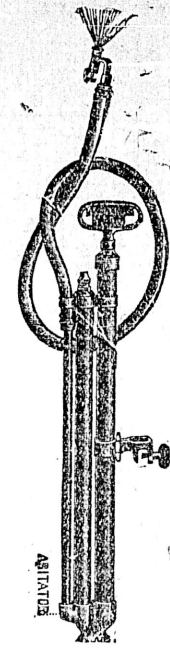
Mr. Oliver—But the hon. the premier then declared that there would be no public meetings. We both addressed public meetings in my constituency; and my constituents sent me here to oppose the policy of the hon. gentleman.

Hon. Mr. McBride—But we cut your majority in two. (Hear, hear, and applause.)

Mr. Oliver—Yes, you did; but what did it cost you?

Hon. Mr. McBride—Well, it cost me a pretty long trip in the Fraser valley, but I could have made another one.

Mr. Oliver—But it cost some one something in dollars and cents.



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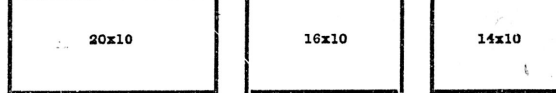
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Hon. Mr. McBride—The hon. gentleman is altogether wide of the facts.

Mr. Oliver—But I say yes; and I can put the man in the witness box that got the money.

Hon. Mr. McBride—Is that really serious? (Laughter.)

Mr. Oliver—Yes; that is serious. (Laughter.)

Expenditure in Okanagan

He proceeded to criticize expenditure on the part of the government in the Okanagan valley.

Mr. Price Ellison: Does the hon. gentleman desire to retard the development of the Okanagan valley the most important district in the province? (Hear, hear.)

Mr. Oliver: Instead of that I would do even more for it.

Mr. Price Ellison: How?

Mr. Oliver replied that he would expend a good share of the surplus and the \$200,000 which it was proposed to set aside for the purposes of the superannuation fund.

The hon. the finance minister had spoken in most eulogistic terms of the immense resources which were possessed by this province, and they were indeed very great, but he wished to know what the government had really done to bring about their development.

Hon. Mr. Tatlow: I feel surprised that the hon. gentleman in the circumstances should ask such a question, for he must know what we have done. (Hear, hear.) Year after year we have sent exhibits to England, and we have sent with them men abundantly qualified to call attention to their merits. (Applause.) And we have not confined our efforts to Eng-

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AN IMPERIAL QUESTION

In adopting the idea that the Imperial government shall be asked to appoint a commission to inquire into the Oriental question as it affects this province, Mr. McBride has taken a step with which the Colonial Office may be very fully in accord. His plan differs from that of Mr. Hawthorthwaite, because he proposes to proceed through the regular constitutional channel. The Colonist has on many occasions said that the issues presented by the close contact of the white and Asiatic races are of Imperial gravity. We have not attempted to belittle them in any way, and our criticism of the Exclusion Leagues' methods was based chiefly upon the ground that they only touched the fringe of a great subject, and touched it in a manner calculated to render it more difficult to adjust. Whether a few hundred Japanese more or less come into the Dominion is not very serious. They would soon be lost in the great expansion of the country. A few score of Chinamen may enter the province without disturbing the industrial equilibrium, and the same is true of the Hindus. There are said to be 200 of the latter on their way here on the steamer Montague. They will probably not be allowed to land, but if they were, they would not greatly dislocate the labor market. These things are only incidents in a great movement. These parties are only the skirmishers in front of a great army. We may or may not succeed in keeping them out of British Columbia, but the Asiatics have begun to move, and it is time for the British people to decide what they are going to do about it. If the British Columbia legislature requests Imperial investigation into this momentous question, it may have the credit of taking a lead in a direction which other parts of the Empire will readily follow. We quote the following from an editorial which appeared in the London Times of February 3rd:

Of the great standing difficulty of the Empire we have just had a hint or two in recent affairs. Happily we have for the time smoothed over the Japanese question in Vancouver, and now the British Indian question in the Transvaal. These are only warnings of what is in store. There is nothing enduring in our settlements, and it is as certain as sunrise that sooner or later, and no one can say how soon, we shall have to confront similar difficulties, perhaps in a much more serious form. Is it not time to consider very carefully whether our machinery is the best conceivable for dealing with this world-wide race question? We have seen how the Imperial Cabinet has dealt with the comparatively small trouble in South Africa; and it is certainly not a method that inspires confidence in view of possible and probable eventualities. Surely it is time to establish some body more fully in touch with the various communities and races composing the Empire, which should, at the lowest, provide the detailed knowledge needed to nip trouble in the bud, and, we might hope also, the instructed imagination of which we see so little evidence in official quarters. The ignorance, or carelessness, or thoughtlessness, some colony may at any moment produce complications in this delicately organized Empire which may baffle our best statesmanship. Is it not high time that, at any rate, upon this color question with its enormous risks, we should have some thoroughgoing understanding among all portions of the Empire? It is important enough for a Colonial Conference ad hoc; but, if that is too much to ask for, the new Secretariat night at least pave the way by communication with the self-governing Colonies for a commission of some sort, which should elaborate an Imperial scheme to anticipate and avert evil by a common understanding. The importance of the problem cannot be overstated, and urgency may come upon us at any time, with little or no warning, yet we have at present no Imperial opinion about the race question, far less any Imperial unanimity about practical policy.

We invite the very serious consideration of the public to this extract, for we think it shows the gravity of the situation very clearly. It shows, we think, that the issue is more than a local one, and that it must be settled by other methods than parades and riotous demonstrations. It must be approached with calmness. As we have mentioned above, it is understood that 200 people from India are on their way to this country. When they left home, they believed they had a right to come here. At great sacrifice in the majority of cases, they secured the money to pay their passage. They come here, doubtless, because they have heard that the majority of those who preceded them have done very well, relatively speaking. The laws of the Dominion and the province will turn them back, or if these particular people should not be turned back, there will certainly be others coming later who will be turned back. What will they say on their return to India? What sort of a shock will British good faith receive in India when these men return impoverished and tell that they were refused entrance to a land under the same flag as that which flies over India? We are far from suggesting that Hindus should

be permitted to enter the country. We speak as we do solely for the purpose of emphasizing the nature of the problem with which the British people are confronted. To us it seems abundantly clear that the whole subject calls for immediate consideration and that in the meantime every effort ought to be made to prevent any further movement from India into Canada.

SOME OPEN QUESTIONS

The list of subjects with which Ambassador Bryce has to deal on his present visit to Ottawa is not very serious, if the Free Press of that city is well informed. They embrace:

The control of the waterways dividing Canada from the United States
Transit free of duty of merchandise across portions of American and Canadian territory.

Transit of merchandise without payment of duty until arrival at points in the interior.

The application of the alien labor laws to citizens of the United States and Canada.

Reciprocal mine owning rights.

Conveyance of American prisoners through Canadian territory and vice versa.

Reciprocal salvage and wrecking rights.

The use of logging booms in the St. John river.

The disposition of certain pecuniary claims.

The exemption of Canadians going temporarily to the United States from payment of head tax.

Involved in the first question among other things, is the disposition of Niagara Falls. A law passed in 1906 which had the effect of preserving the Falls from further encroachment in the nature of commercial undertakings but this expires in June, 1909, and it is hoped that before that date arrives the two countries will reach an agreement that can be embodied in a treaty, whereby that great scenic attraction can be protected from complete disfigurement. The second item in the list refers to what is generally known as the bonding privilege, and the third is an amplification of it. There ought not to be much difficulty in coming to an understanding in regard to them. The application of the alien labor laws to the people of both countries is something that calls for a very great deal of consideration. At present the drift of labor is into Canada. There is nothing now to prevent working men from going freely from one country to the other, the provisions of the law only barring employers from making contracts for the importation of labor. As at present advised we are opposed to the idea of relaxing the statutory provisions in this respect. Reciprocity in mine-owning seems to be a reasonable proposition, and so does the conveyance of prisoners through the territory of either country. In regard to reciprocity, salvage and wrecking, we shall make some inquiries before expressing any opinion.

The use of logging booms in the St. John river is a local question arising out of the Ashburton treaty by which the free right of navigation was secured to citizens of the United States in that river. We are not advised as to the nature of the several pecuniary questions which are open. The exemption of Canadians, temporarily entering the United States from the head tax, is in this part of the country already in practice. None of these questions ought to present any great difficulty.

THE U. S. FLEET

Collier's thinks that before very long Admiral Evans' fleet will pay a call at Esquimalt "and exchange the courtesies that are due the capital of a great British province." We suppose that this is very probable, and if the ships come we will all join in giving them a hearty welcome. If the Admiral will let us know long enough in advance when to expect him, it may be possible to do something to mark the occasion. This suggestion we throw out for the benefit of the city council. The New York papers ask: "Why not bring the fleet to Burrard Inlet?" Principally we think because that would be a most ungrammatical proceeding, unless it is intended as a grave reflection upon the prowess of what our contemporary calls "the great peace fleet." We doubt the ability of the Quadra and the Kestrel, even if reinforced by the Sicarwater, the Egeria, and not to mention the William Joffile, to bring the fleet to Burrard Inlet. If it goes it will have to be because it does so by the orders of its admiral or some other equally potent personage.

But the idea advanced by Collier's is a very good one, that is if Admiral Evans would care to take his ships up through the Narrows. He might anchor them in English bay. But, whatever may be done on that score, we suggest that the visit of the United States fleet to these waters might very well be the occasion of a demonstration of good feeling.

The enterprising municipality of Oak Bay is setting a worthy example in road and street improvement. We hope that at the end of 1908 it will be in order to say the same thing in respect to Victoria.

The Canadian Club luncheon at the Empress hotel on Thursday promises to be a notable event. A very gratifying amount of interest is being shown in the affair. The club was fortunate in being able to secure Hon. D. M. Eberts, Speaker of the Legislature, to deliver the address of the day.

We print on this page a letter from Lord Escher to the Imperial Maritime League. It would be an error to lay too much stress upon the fact that

Lord Escher is understood to enjoy the King's confidence in a high degree, but the fact is worth keeping in mind while perusing the letter.

Mr. J. H. Oldfield wanders our streets improved and says if they are we will have an unprecedented rush of tourists. Another Eastern man says that while we have natural attractions without number, we have so few streets in the centre of the city that are not untidy that his wonder is that people are not disgusted by their first sight of them. Really something must be done.

That new fishery protection cruiser for service in British Columbia waters ought to be built either in Victoria or Esquimalt. We believe it will be if all the the weight which a community of thirty thousand people are able to exert is directed towards securing it.

United action and the ability to "speak up" is a tremendous factor in such matters. How would it do for all who read this paragraph to take just five minutes to write a letter to our representatives at Ottawa, telling them that we want that cruiser built here? Is the suggestion too practical?

In his budget speech Hon. Capt. Tattlow coined a phrase which is destined to "stick." Alluding to the future ahead of British Columbia as a fruit-producing country, the finance minister remarked that he anticipated that ultimately the province would be known as "The Orchard of the Empire."

We observe that this happily chosen appellation has attracted the attention of a number of newspapers on the mainland which have reproduced the speech, and all pay due attention to it in writing headlines. And the best of it is that there are excellent reasons for supposing that the day is not far distant when the phrase will apply in strict truthfulness.

The Colonist observes with pleasure that the Conservatives of Esquimalt electoral district have determined to improve their organization, thus falling in line with a movement which embraces the entire province, and which ensures the party presenting a solid front at the approaching federal election. Opinion is unanimous that it was due to faulty organization that the district went to the Liberals at the last provincial elections, and now that a decision has been reached to correct this disability, it may, we think, be assumed with confidence that on the next occasion when the judgment of the electorate is sought, the result will be different. The Premier will address a public meeting at Metchoin on Saturday evening next. All residents of the district who can arrange to do so, should attend.

We can inform an esteemed correspondent that Robert Burns did write "Scots Wha Hae" as he suggests. Our error arose from the fact that we found it included in a collection of Jane Porter's works. Will all possible correspondents please take notice and govern themselves accordingly. We do not care to have the experience of a few years ago repeated. Then in a moment of inadvertence we wrote that the "Battle Hymn of the Republic" was written by Harriet Beecher Stowe. We knew perfectly well that she did not write it, but even an editorial writer's thoughts wander occasionally, just as the great Homer is said to nod sometimes. After the expiration of about a week corrections began to come in and they kept on coming. They came from Victoria, from Saanich, from Vancouver and Rossland, from Winnipeg and Pensacola, from the capitals of half a dozen countries. Then there was a lull, and afterwards when we had almost forgotten the incident, there came an exceedingly indignant letter from some place in the Southern States, the name of which has slipped our memory.

At a conference between the city council and the school trustees one day last week, during a debate on the question as to the medical inspection of schools, Trustee Staneland is reported to have said: "Such inspection, to be of any use at all, must be thorough in the case of each pupil, and particularly in regard to the environment of the Chinese pupils." Most of us know what Mr. Staneland had in his mind when he made that remark, and a good many of us who have children going to the public schools don't like to dwell upon it. Home life in Chinatown, whence came the pupils who sit beside white children, is so far beneath our own standard, that grave suspicion is aroused as to whether the health of the school children is not much menaced thereby. We all know that sanitary conditions in Chinatown are bad; we all know that the average Chinese home is not cleanly in the sense that we understand cleanliness; and we have much sympathy for those white people who object to having their children brought into close contact with Chinese boys and girls in the public schools. A rigid medical inspection, such as suggested by Trustee Staneland, may or may not meet the case; but we certainly ought not to shut our eyes to a situation which can hardly be viewed otherwise than as a serious one, imperilling the health of a great number of children attending the public schools of the city.

During the course of a speech at the annual banquet of No. 3 Company, Fifth Regiment, a few days ago, Lt.-Col. Hall, the commanding officer, is reported to have said that "if this country was to be kept British and the flag to wave over this land, it would only be by the men of the country donning the uniform and being ever ready to defend their homes." In so far as this sentiment may be taken as ad-

vice to the young men of Victoria to take a greater interest in the militia, there will be general agreement that it is a timely utterance. It is a somewhat significant sign of the times that, not only in England, but in Australia and other portions of the Empire, serious endeavors are being made to induce an increased number of the people to consent to bear arms and equip themselves by the necessary military training so as to be ready to assist in practical fashion in the defence of their territory. Lord Roberts is taking a very active part in the present agitation in England aiming at increasing the standing army, and turning to Australia we find the people aroused to such an extent that they have determined to take such measures as will ensure, practically, that in case of emergency almost every able-bodied man in the country will be ready to take up arms. Possibly special reasons could be cited to show that Canada ought to be up and doing in the same direction, but the fact that military training is conducive to the physical well-being of young men and in every sense a desirable knowledge to be possessed of ought to be sufficient of a stimulus to a greater interest in the work of the militia.

Lord Escher and the Imperial Maritime League.

Lord Escher has sent the following letter to Messrs. Wyatt and Horton-Smith, founders of the Imperial Maritime league, in reply to their request that he should join the council of the Imperial Maritime league.

2 Tilney street, Mayfair, W., January 22, 1908.

Gentlemen,—I have received a letter from you marked "private" and dated January 20, 1908, in which you ask me to allow my name to appear as a member of the committee or council of the "Maritime league."

To most of the objects of the league no one can take exception, but its immediate aim is a "public inquiry" into the state of the navy. You ask me to join a body of persons, all actuated no doubt by honorable and patriotic motives, who are engaged in promoting a scheme designed to overturn one of the prime minister's principal colleagues who is a member of the board of admiralty nominated by him.

For it is obvious that a public inquiry into the state of the navy such as you desire to form would indicate a want of confidence in the present board of admiralty, which might make the retention of office by the board impossible from day such an inquiry was granted him.

When I look at the list of names of those who have joined the council or committee I confess to having been struck by the absence from it of any great naval authority, or indeed of any authority whatever upon questions of naval or Imperial defence.

There are living four statesmen who have held the great post of First Lord of the Admiralty. All of them are men actuated by high motives of patriotism and are men of singularly clear judgment. I do not find the honored names of Lord Spencer or Lord Selborne (to whom South Africa means little) or the naval supremacy of this country appeared in the list.

It could hardly be said that I should be glad to see Sir John Fisher and his colleagues meet the fate of Admiral Byng.

But I am faced with the recollection that on November 12, 1902, nearly 12 months before Sir John Fisher went to the Admiralty as First Sea Lord, I went as his guest to Government (Admiralty) House at Portsmouth, and that on this occasion he unfolded his plans for increasing the efficiency of the fighting fleet, for a redistribution of the fleet on strategic grounds, for a complete change in the personnel of the navy, based, not upon grounds of economy, but upon efficiency, and generally for a scheme of naval reform, nearly all of which he desired to see carried out under the two boards of admiralty upon which he has served as First Sea Lord.

These statements are not dependent upon memory, but are embodied in a series of memoranda in my possession and printed upon paper bearing the stamp of the Government (Admiralty) House, Portsmouth, and dated September and October, 1902.

The redistribution of the fleets, the reduction of all vessels of no fighting value, the formation of the fleet in Reserve, "nucleus crews," two years' commissions, types of fighting ships, strategic problems, tactical ideas—everything is dealt with and everything discussed.

But I cannot discover no reference whatever to "social reforms." Officers who were in the Mediterranean fleet in 1899-1902, and who heard the lectures delivered at Malta during those years by the admiral will bear out the statement that even then all these "new notions" so fatal to the navy and all based upon a desire to save extravagant political ends were the subject-matter of these discourses.

The board of admiralty may occasionally make mistakes, but that they have by word or act appeared to doubt the vital necessity for naval supremacy, or that they would stoop to subordinate the naval superiority of this country to any personal or political expediency does not require to be proved by a "public inquiry." There is not a man in Germany from the Emperor downwards who would not welcome the fall of Sir John Fisher, and for this reason only, apart from all others, I must beg to decline your invitation to join the council of the Maritime league.

I remain, yours faithfully, L. ESCHER.

New Spring Curtains

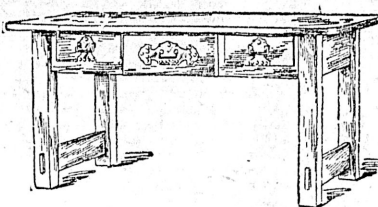
Spring styles in Lace Curtains are now ready for your inspection on our second floor. Hundreds of pairs in more than a hundred new designs are on show and the showing is a worthy one indeed. You're welcome.

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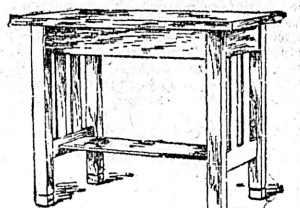
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Some consolation may be derived from the fact that many prized pieces may be replaced by objects superior to the old ones at half their original cost, in this popular shop of ours.

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For the Spring weddings we have a personally selected array of the season's best productions, exclusive, distinctive, artistic—as you would expect to find in an establishment like ours and nowhere else.

If there is any difference in price as compared with what is asked for ordinary, ineptly selected wares, your good sense will determine the reason at a glance.

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An Unusual Showing of New Spring Carpet Styles

New Spring Styles have been arriving almost daily during the past two weeks, and our present carpet stock is unusually complete in its range of styles. This season's designs are unusually nice. Last week saw the arrival of a splendid line of Axminsters and Wiltons. Surprise after surprise, upon the opening of these new lines—almost each bale contained some new and specially attractive style. Now is the best time to choose the carpets you'll need this Spring, and now is the best time to have them made up. Come in and see these new styles. We shall be pleased to show you through.

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NEWS OF THE CITY

St. Mark's Church Concert

Miss Tuck has kindly consented to get up a concert for the benefit of St. Mark's church, "Cloverdale," to take place in the parish room on Tuesday, March 3.

To Attend Comrade's Funeral

All members of the Y. M. C. A. and friends of the association are requested to attend the funeral of Harvey Woodhouse, from the St. Barnabas church this afternoon at 2:30.

Membership Contest Banquet

The membership contest banquet of the Y. M. C. A. will take place on Thursday night in the Y. M. C. A. rooms, and it is expected that all of the new members will be on hand as well as the losers and winners in the contest. A most enjoyable time is looked forward to.

Meeting This Evening

The residents of Esquimalt district are requested to remember the meeting in the Soldier's and Sailor's home this evening in the interests of temperance and moral reform. John Jardine, M. P. P., will occupy the chair. Mrs. Spofford will address the meeting and discuss organization. The chair will be taken at 8 o'clock p. m.

Egeria's Bluejackets

A despatch from St. John, N. B., says: "On the C. P. R. steamer Lake Manitoba, which arrived today from Liverpool, came a detachment of 170 bluejackets, bound for service on H. M. S. Egeria, at Esquimalt, on the Pacific ocean. A home-coming detachment from the Egeria will be here to take passage on the Lake Manitoba on her return voyage. Those arriving today were forwarded by special train."

Legislative Committee

The public accounts committee met for a short time yesterday morning. But little business was transacted. A number of questions by John Oliver and Stuart Henderson with regard to the workings of the Railway Amendment Act were answered by J. B. McKilligan, surveyor of taxes, to the complete satisfaction of the questioners. The private bills committee will meet today. The argument of counsel in connection with the Victoria Waterworks Act will be heard.

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SPEAKS ON MISSIONS

Young People's Society of Centennial

Hear Interesting Address From Rev. John Robson

Rev. John Robson, B. A., of Nanaimo, addressed a meeting of young people given under the auspices of the Young People's society of the Centennial church last evening in the Sunday schoolroom. The chair was occupied by the pastor, Rev. S. J. Thompson, and a large gathering listened to the address of Mr. Robson. Reports were received from the missionary committee of the Young People's society, showing that over \$50 had been subscribed toward the forward movement for missions. This means that the support of a foreign missionary in the field by the Young People's association of the district of Victoria is assured.

Reports were also received from the missionary treasurer of the Sunday school stating that the congregational showing would be 50 per cent ahead of last year in missionary growth.

Rev. Mr. Robson spoke for an hour and was given an attentive hearing. He took as the topic of his address "Ten Reasons Why I Believe in and Support Foreign Missions." The chief among these, he said, were: The example and command of Jesus Christ; because God has wonderfully opened the doors to foreign religion; because God has provided a sufficient number of missionaries and is now stirring the heart of Christians to provide means to send forth missionaries; because there is now a breaking down of the international barriers through commerce, education and a better understanding among nations; because non-Christian civilization is a curse to any nation, and because if we failed to Christianize the heathen, the heathen would heathenize us. As a proof of this he instanced the marvelous development and waking up of China.

OBITUARY NOTICES

The funeral of the late Harvey Woodhouse will take place this afternoon at 2:15 o'clock from W. B. Smith's undertaking rooms to St. Barnabas' church, where Rev. E. G. Miller will conduct the funeral services. From the church the cortege will proceed to the cemetery, the services at the grave being conducted under the auspices of the Y. M. C. A.

Yesterday afternoon at 1:30 o'clock the funeral of the late Alfred H. Turner, the sailor who fell to his death from a telephone pole on Government street, took place from the Hanna chapel. The services were conducted by Rev. G. K. B. Adams.

The tug William Joffe, of the B. C. Salvage company which is being operated under charter to the marine department will leave today, taking lumber for the improvement of the life-saving station at Bandfield creek, from where the motor lifeboat is in service. The William Joffe will also take some stores and supplies for the wireless and light stations.

John Walters, of Morpeth, dropped dead at the home of his son, John Walters, Jr.

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Members Give Addresses

On Sunday evening at the Grand theatre Parker Williams, M. P. P., and John McInnis, M. P. P., addressed a large meeting on the subject, "The Interest of the Working Class."

More Dwellings

G. Sidney Carr was yesterday granted a permit to erect a dwelling on Government street to cost \$3,100, and a permit was also issued to John Gibson for a dwelling to be erected on Prior street at a cost of \$1,800.

Adams Goes to Prison

William Adams, the man who was last week sentenced by Magistrate Jay to serve two years in the penitentiary for the theft of a watch and chain, was taken to New Westminster on the Princess Victoria this morning in charge of Sergeant Walker.

Many Enjoy Fishing

The attractiveness of the Saanich Arm as a fishing resort was demonstrated on Sunday when a large number of disciples of Isaac Walton spent the day fishing. Among those who had more or less success were Captain Combes and First Engineer Bowell, of the cable ship Restovar, both of whom were the guests of L. Camus, of the 17-mile post, Messrs. Gowen, Lenfesty, W. Todd and R. Porter.

Irish Recital

The Irish recital to be given by Mrs. W. A. Gleason, and which was to have been held on St. Patrick's Day, March 17, under the auspices of the Y. M. C. A. auxiliary, will be held on March 19 in the A. O. U. W. hall. Miss Lugin, Mrs. Briggs, Arthur Gore and others will assist in the musical part of the programme. Mrs. Gleason is particularly good in the portrayal of the Irish character, and all lovers of Irish wit and humor have a treat in store for them.

Sand From Wreck Bay

The return of Walter Myles to Ladysmith from Wreck Bay with some samples of gold dust washed from the black sands of Wreck bay, where he has located eight claims, recalls the excitement which followed the previous working of the black sand at Wreck bay nine years ago. The find was made by S. C. Binns, a prospector, and many west coast residents went to the scene and located claims. The crew of the steamer Willapa, then on the west coast run, located what was known as the Willapa claim. After being worked for two or three years the sands were abandoned.

University School

Owing to the rapid increase of pupils in the university school it has been found necessary by the principals to secure a third house on Belcher avenue, which will be used only as a boarding house, being placed under the charge of one of the present staff. A change is also to be made in the lower school, taking effect from March 1. C. E. Folkner will assist Rev. W. W. Bolton in the bookkeeping and the work of the down town office, as the business has reached the stage requiring an assistant. The new teacher for the lower school will be appointed during the week.

British Israel Class

The British Israel class will meet this evening at 8 o'clock in the No. 1 hall, upstairs, A. O. U. W. building, Yates street. The special feature of the meeting will be an address by G. W. Woollett, of Victoria, entitled "Anglo-Israel Teaching. What it is?" Members of every denomination are respectfully invited. All persons wishing to hear a fair presentation of the prophetic truths in which the destiny of the British Empire is believed to be plainly set forth, and warranted by the exact parallelism of history, from the very earliest times, should try to hear this able student of thirty years' experience, who will submit proofs of almost convincing nature that this is no new "ism" or "sect," but a simple return to the prophets and apostles, "Jesus Christ, Himself, being the chief corner stone."

Welshmen Will Banquet

The Welshmen of Vancouver island intend holding a banquet on Monday next, March 2, to celebrate the anniversary of their patron saint, St. David, as well as to form a Welsh Cymrodoriaid society. The Welshmen of the mainland of British Columbia, and also across the border meet and dine together every St. David's day, and there is every reason why their countrymen on this island should not also demonstrate their patriotism and affection for the land of their fathers, beautiful Wales, and in order to make this celebration as complete and as representative as possible, the promoters of this movement earnestly invite all Welshmen to send their names at once and state their intention of being present to James M. Morgan, vocal music teacher, 911 Caledonian avenue, Victoria. "Mor a gan yw Cymru i gyd y gwyr yu erbyn y byd."

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HISTORIC CHURCH

HOLDS ANNIVERSARY

First Presbyterian Observes Forty-Sixth Year of its Existence

Sunday, the forty-sixth anniversary of First Presbyterian church of this city, was observed, the pastor being assisted in the forenoon by Rev. G. K. B. Adams, of the Metropolitan Methodist church, who preached an excellent sermon; and in the evening, by Rev. M. Henderson, of the Middle West, in the evening, who also preached a fine sermon. The congregation was large in the morning, and the church was crowded in the evening. The singing by the large choir, which is one of the best in the province, was much enjoyed. The congregation is well organized, and is in excellent condition. It is free from debt, and doing good work in the lines of the gospel. It has a good session, board of management, Ladies' Aid, Women's Missionary society club, Christian Endeavor, choir and Sunday school. Rev. Dr. Campbell has been pastor for over fifteen years.

First Presbyterian church is the pioneer of Presbyterianism not only west of the mountains, but west of Kildonan, where Dr. Black unfurled the blue banner of the covenant and erected the famous "Kildonan Presbyterian church." In 1861 the general assembly of the Presbyterian church in Ireland sent the Rev. John Hall to preach the gospel in Vancouver island. So far away was this island considered then that Mr. Hall was designated as a foreign missionary, in the same way as the church designates missionaries now to China, India and Japan. In February, 1862, he organized the congregation of First Presbyterian church of this city. After three years of faithful service, Mr. Hall went to Australia, and was succeeded by Dr. Somerville, sent out by the Colonial committee of the Church of Scotland. After a short pastorate Dr. Somerville withdrew from First church, and organized the congregation of St. Andrew's church. After Dr. Somerville withdrew First church practically closed for nine years. At the end of that time Dr. Reid, a Congregationalist from England, became pastor. A few years after his resignation the First church united with the Canadian church, and became one of the congregations of the Presbyterian church in Canada. Its first pastor under the new order of things was the Rev. Donald Fraser, M. A., of Mount Forest, Ontario. He was a distinguished graduate of Queen's college, Kingston, a man of scholarly attainments, devoted prelate, an earnest preacher, and an indefatigable worker, and a man whom to know was to esteem for his unselfishness and sterling qualities. He died in 1891, after a short illness, and was succeeded as pastor of First church in 1892 by the Rev. Dr. Campbell, who still "holds the fort," and preaches twice every Sunday in the historic temple at the corner of Blanchard and Pandora streets.

The ladies of the congregation are taking steps to install the most improved electric light plant, which will add to the appearance of the auditorium and to the comfort of the worshippers. The choir deserves a large and a better organ than that at present in use, and no doubt steps will be taken ere long to secure a good instrument. Presbyterians have gotten over the idea that a good organ being used as one means of drawing young people to church is acting on the principle of "O, whistle, an' I'll come to ye, my lad."

APPEAL FAILS IN NATAL ACT

Chief Justice Hunter is Upheld by the Decision of Full Court

JUDGMENT IS UNANIMOUS

Arguments of R. Cassidy, K.C., Do Not Convince—Other Side Not Called Upon

The full court yesterday afternoon unanimously upheld the judgment of the chief justice that the local Natal act is invalid by reason of its contravention of the treaty obligations of the country. The court, which consisted of Justices Irving, Morrison and Clement, announced their decision without calling upon counsel representing the Dominion government. Mr. Justice Irving stating that they would give their reasons in the morning. R. Cassidy, K.C., argued the appeal for the provincial government, his chief points apparently being that the province had full power to legislate on immigration matters unless and until it was interfered with by the Dominion either by disallowance or by statute. He contended that neither course had been taken with respect to this bill, the Dominion act which had been passed embodying the treaty being merely an innocuous expression of approval which did not contain the necessary enactments to make the treaty substantive law. He argued that in any event the Dominion parliament had nothing to do with treaties in any manner whatever, so any attempt at ratification or sanction of such conventions was without legal effect.

In opening his case asking for the reversal of Chief Justice Hunter's decision, which released the two Japanese, M. Nakane and T. Okasake, from detention under the provisions of the Natal act, Mr. Cassidy stated that the whole question was whether or no the Natal act were repugnant to the provisions of the Anglo-Japanese treaty, as there was no question of the right of the province to legislate on matters regarding immigration, as the act in question covered a different field from that occupied by Dominion legislation on the subject. He quoted section 132 of the British North American act, which, he said, conferred on the Dominion the duty of standing guard over international treaties so far as Canada was concerned, treaties not being communicated officially to the lieutenant-governors. It was also plain that Canada must interfere either by disallowance or by statute.

"If you deny this appeal," said Mr. Cassidy, "your lordships must consider that Canada has interfered either by statute or disallowance. I shall submit that nothing has taken place to derogate from the Natal act, and there is no question of its being ultra vires. We admit that the treaty is a valid treaty." Continuing, counsel referred to two cases already decided in this province by single judges who held that the mere fact that a law was inconsistent with a treaty made it ultra vires, and submitted that they were wrongly decided, quoting from a work on international law, which said that such a law would merely give suitable ground for exercising the veto. In the meantime he urged the act was law, to which the court would give effect.

Imperial Government Only.

Mr. Cassidy next proceeded to argue that the parliament of Canada had no power whatever to make treaties or even to sanction them. Treaties under the British constitution were made by the crown and not by parliaments, and could only be sanctioned by the body in whose hands lay power. He said that the Imperial parliament, which was the supreme legislative power of the empire, and which even had the power by its statutes to override the Dominion parliament, though this right was not exercised. So far as sanctioning a treaty was concerned the Dominion parliament was on the same plane as a municipal council, and any such legislative expression of opinion would be mere waste paper. He quoted here a case decided in the English courts where a Belgian ship was seized for damages after colliding with another ship; although under a treaty, she was entitled to be considered as a ship of war, and so exempt from seizure. The court proceeding on the principle that the individual citizen was not bound by a treaty to which he had not through his representatives given his assent. The treaty in question appears not to have been submitted to the British parliament. In a word, Canada could not sanction an Imperial treaty, but could merely place its imprimatur on the bargain.

Mr. Justice Clement said that section 132 of the British North American act conferred upon the government of Canada the power of carrying out obligations under treaties. To this Mr. Cassidy replied that all the Dominion had done in this case was to approve the convention, but that it had not passed any act for the carrying out of its provisions, and in illustration of his point read from the act regarding the regulation of fisheries on the Atlantic coast in pursuance of the French treaty, in which the necessary regulations for enforcing the provisions of the agreement were set forth. Judge Clement pointed out that in this treaty no such regulations were necessary.

Effect is Nil

Mr. Justice Irving asked: "Now what is your own opinion Mr. Cassidy? Would you not advise a client that the Dominion act is an act of parliament?"

Mr. Cassidy—I would, but I would also advise him that its effect is nil. Analyzing the Dominion act he said that either the whole treaty was new law or none of it, and referring to one of the clauses he pointed out that it bound the hands of future parliaments till 1912, which was an impossible position. Their lordships did not agree with him. Mr. Justice Irving suggesting that the act could be superseded by a later enactment if it became necessary, while Mr. Justice Clement did not see how that point affected the matter at issue.

Turning to the Natal act again Mr. Cassidy contended that it did not discriminate against the Japanese, which was all they could claim. Even if a

British subject could not pass the test he would be excluded. The treaty reserved "full liberty" for the subjects of either power to travel in the dominions of the other, but counsel urged that this did not mean "complete" liberty, for otherwise diseased and insane persons could not be excluded under the Dominion immigration regulations.

Mr. Justice Irving—The test here is that it is liberty that cannot be trammelled by the act of a provincial legislature.

Mr. Justice Morrison—Your case is hopeless if you get away from your position that the Dominion act is not an act.

After further discussion his lordship, Mr. Justice Irving intimated that the court would uphold the decision of the chief justice, and that Mr. Macdonell on the other side that they would not call upon him, but would give their reasons in the morning.

Reck Vs. Scherf

The court then adjourned. Today Rex Vs. Scherf will be argued. This is a criminal appeal before the court in banc.

Chief Justice Hunter's Decision

The full text of the judgment of Chief Justice Hunter, from which the appeal heard yesterday was taken, is given below:

Judgment in Chambers

Delivered by the Hon. Chief Justice Hunter, at Vancouver, B. C., the 21st day of February, 1908, in the matter of habeas corpus proceeding re M. Nakane and T. Okasake.

Inasmuch as this matter is a very urgent one, and having regard to all the public interests concerned, and inasmuch as I have come to a clear opinion upon the only matter which it is necessary for me to decide upon the present application, I think I will be acting to the advantage of all concerned if I proceed to give judgment at once.

It is, as I understand it, admitted at the outset that the applicants here are subjects of the Emperor of Japan, and they come to court questioning the validity of their detention under the act which has been recently passed by the British Columbia legislature, which, for the sake of brevity, I shall refer to as the Natal act.

Now, so far as I can see, it is not necessary on the present occasion to consider how far the Natal act is repugnant to the provisions of the Canadian Immigration act. My present impression is, although it is not necessary for me to decide, and I desire to guard myself against being understood as having arrived at any definite judicial conclusion about the matter, my present impression is that the Natal act cannot be said to be repugnant to the Dominion Immigration act. No section has been pointed out to me which lays down a standard by which the rights of any person seeking admission into Canada can be measured, i.e., which says who shall be allowed in, or who shall be kept out, excepting certain provisions which include certain persons, such as criminals, idiots, paupers, beggars, prostitutes, and so forth, and which are of a negative character.

Now, inasmuch as the British North American act permits the enactment of laws relating to immigration by the local legislatures insofar and so long as they are not repugnant to any act of Canada, I am not prepared to say from the cursory glance I have had of the Canadian act that the provisions I have just alluded to in the Dominion act as the Natal act appears merely to add to the list of excluded persons.

Constitutionality Undecided

At any rate, I have come to the conclusion that it is not necessary for me to decide on the present occasion whether the act is intra or ultra vires of the local legislature. I have only to consider on the present occasion how far the provisions of this act interfere with or nullify the act known as the Japanese Treaty act, which was passed in 1907 by the parliament of Canada. Now, that act recites the treaty which exists between the Imperial government and the Japanese government, and proceeds to enact that the provisions of that treaty are sanctioned—that being the expression that is used in the act.

Mr. Cassidy, K.C. (Interrupting): The convention is sanctioned, not the "provisions," but just the convention. Your lordships will understand that there is a substantial distinction. At all events that is not my view. The learned counsel for the province raises the point that this is a mere schedule, and that the Canadian parliament saw fit to enact only that they approved of the convention that was contained in this schedule.

In my mind, the fact that the provisions of the act are in a schedule neither adds to nor subtracts from the efficiency of the law. It has been laid down time and again by eminent jurists, for instance by Lord Justice Brett in Attorney General vs. Lamplough 4 Ex. D., that it is immaterial whether "an enactment is contained in a schedule or in the body of the act, although the schedule is there as much a part of the act as the body of the act. Now, I think it must be plain that when the Dominion parliament sanctioned this treaty between the Imperial government and the emperor of Japan, that they intended to make the provisions of that treaty a part of the law of Canada.

Dominion's Powers

And then the only question is, have they that power? I have no doubt under the combined operation of sec. 132 of the B. N. A. act, that the Dominion parliament had the power. Sec. 95 provides that the parliament of Canada has power from time to time to make laws in relation to agriculture in all or any of the provinces, and in relation to immigration in all or any of the provinces; and that any law of the legislature of the province relating to agriculture or immigration shall have effect in and for the province so long and so far only that it is not repugnant to any act of the parliament of Canada; and the other section empowers the parliament of Canada to make any law necessary or proper to secure the performance of Canada's obligations as a part of the empire, in other words, to confirm by positive law that which otherwise would rest on convention or agreement only.

That being so, the question at once comes up as to whether the provisions of the Natal act in any way nullify, or are contradictory to the provisions of the act of the parliament of Canada, which is known as the Japanese Treaty act.

The provisions of the Natal act lay down certain conditions upon which any person seeking to enter the province may enter, which conditions must be complied with before admission is granted. Among those conditions is the requirement by which a person shall be requested to do so by the immigration officer, write out in English, or any language of Europe, an appli-

cation to the provincial secretary to the effect set out in a certain schedule.

When we come to compare the provision of the Japanese Treaty act with those of the Natal act, we find it is agreed that the subjects of either of the contracting parties shall have full liberty to enter, travel or reside in any of the dominions or possessions of the other contracting party, and shall enjoy full protection for person and property, etc.

It will be observed the language is "the subjects," not such subjects as may be permitted by any province, that is to say, all the subjects except of such subjects as are excluded by the authority of the parliament which is granting the right; and we find that in the Canadian Immigration act the Dominion parliament has specified certain classes of people who shall be debarred from entering into the country, and there is no limitation or restriction made as to their nationality, or source of origin, but anyone coming within any of these special classes is debarred, whether of Japanese or Chinese or any other nationality. And as the Canadian Immigration act must be read together with the Japanese Treaty act, the effect of those two acts is that the subjects of the emperor of Japan, other than those which come within those specified classes, shall have the full right and liberty to enter, travel, or reside in any part of this Dominion.

Discharges Prisoners

Therefore as the power of the province to pass immigration laws is conditional upon such laws not being repugnant to those passed by the parliament of Canada, it follows that to the extent to which the Natal act is inconsistent with the Canadian legislation to that extent it is inoperative, and therefore the applicants are entitled to their discharge.

Mr. Cassidy, K. C.: Your order goes to both cases?

Court: Yes.

Mr. Cassidy: I am instructed by the attorney-general on behalf of the province to give notice of appeal to the full court owing to the importance of this question, and it is desirable to have the decision of the full court without delay. I suppose your lordship could make it possible to have a sitting of the full court on this at the earliest possible moment. I would suggest that they sit on Monday.

Court: The full court will be sitting on Monday.

Mr. Cassidy: Well, could we arrange for this rather important matter of the crown should have precedence?

Court: I do not see why not.

Mr. Cassidy, K. C.: Then, in regard to the discharge of the accused, I suppose the accused could be discharged, or if your lordship will say that they should be discharged on their own recognizance to come up in the event of a judgment being reversed.

Court: No, I have no power to make any order except an unconditional order.

Mr. Macdonell: You have under the act the right to re-arrest.

Court: You have the right to appeal to the full court, and they make into custody in the event of their coming to the opposite conclusion. I find that there is absolutely no warrant for their detention. They are peaceable and law-abiding subjects of the Japanese empire, and as far as I can see they have a good right of action against someone, but of course that is not before me now.

Mr. Macdonell: Then the order will go for costs?

Mr. Cassidy, K. C.: I don't see why? Court: Why should these people be deprived of their costs? They have been illegally detained. Aren't they as much entitled to it as you would be if you had been seized?

FIND DEATH WAS DUE TO NATURAL CAUSES

Coroner's Jury Investigates Circumstances of Death of Charles Lind

That he came to his death from natural causes was the verdict of the coroner's jury which yesterday afternoon investigated the circumstances surrounding the death of Charles Lind, the aged fisherman, who was found dead in his cabin on Humboldt street on Saturday morning last. Lind had not been heard of for some time, and his neighbors were wondering whether he had left the city investigated, with the result that the police were notified, and the cabin broken into when the old man was discovered sitting in his chair quite dead.

Only two witnesses were heard by the coroner's jury, John Harkness, who identified the body as that of Lind, and Dr. George W. Hall, who performed the post mortem. Mr. Harkness stated that Lind had been living for some time in No. 4, Lawson's cab-lar, Humboldt street. He had last seen the deceased about a month ago when he appeared quite well. Lind was accustomed to work in the canneries during the summer months and lived in the city during the winter. Mr. Harkness did not think Lind was a drinking man, on the contrary he appeared to be quiet and sober.

Dr. George W. Hall testified to performing the post mortem examination on the body of the deceased. There were no external marks of violence and no evidence of poisoning. The body was somewhat decomposed and Dr. Hall was of the opinion that Lind had been dead from three to four weeks before being discovered. He believed that death was due to heart failure, that organ being enlarged and giving evidence of having been diseased. The jury took but a minute to return a verdict that death was due to natural causes. Dr. Stanley, deputy coroner, presided. The jury was composed of J. Johnson, foreman, Mr. McCrea, J. Brown, Charles Thomas, R. Perry and L. Russell.

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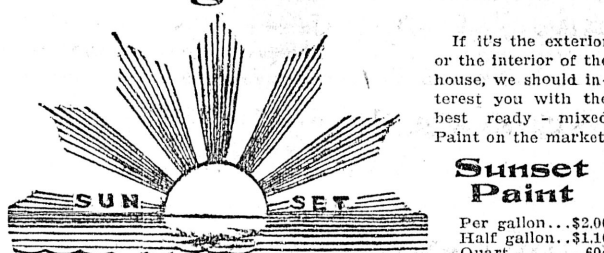
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Association Ends Year With Deficit as Result of Closing Down of Works

The members of the Chemainus General Hospital association held their annual meeting in the Chemainus hall on Friday evening, February 21.

The secretary's report showed that during the year 1907, amongst other expenditures, a new steam heating plant had been installed in the hospital at a cost of \$2,300, and this heavy outlay in the face of the unexpected closing down of the Victoria Lumber & Manufacturing company's logging camps and the British smelter at Crofton, with the resultant decrease in the hospital's revenue, leaves a deficit of \$744.

The report of Dr. H. B. Rogers, resident physician, showed that during the year 1907 182 patients had been treated while the number for 1906 of 132, making an increase for 1907 of 50 over the previous year. Of this total of 182 about half were from points outside of Chemainus. The number of hospital days during the year total 3,758, which is an increase of 1,098 over 1906, and which exceeds by 338 the next highest figure in the history of the hospital. The daily average of patients for the year was 10.29, as compared with 7.28 in 1906.

Dr. Rogers also pointed out in his report the urgent need of adding a maternity ward to the hospital, which suggestion it is the intention of the board to follow as soon as circumstances will permit.

A vote of thanks was passed to his honor the lieutenant-governor for his kind offer to supply free of charge coal for the use of the hospital.

Votes of thanks were also passed to the Ladysmith football team for their kind donation of \$40, and to Dr. Frost, the Ladies' auxiliary and Lewis G. Hill for their assistance to the hospital in many ways.

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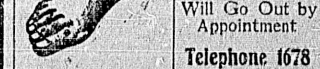
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As ships, becalmed at eve, that lay With canvas drooping, side by side, Two towers of sail at dawn of day, Are scarce long leagues apart described;

When fell the night, upspring the breeze, And all the jarring hours they plied, Nor dreamt but each the self-same seas By each was cleaving, side by side.

Even so, but why the tale reveal Of those, whom year by year unchanged, Brief absence joined anew to feel Astounded, soul from soul estranged?

At dead of night their sails were filled, And onward each rejoicing steered— Ah, neither blame, for neither willed Or wist, what first with dawn appeared!

To veer, how vain! On, onward strain, Brave barks! In light, in darkness, to, Through winds and tides one compass To that, and your own selves, be true.

But O blithe breeze! and O great seas, Though never, that earliest parting past, On your wide plain they join again, Together lead them home at last.

One port, methought, alike they sought, One purpose held whither they fared— O bounding breeze, O rushing seas! At last, at last, unite them there!

—A. H. Clough. (1819-61).

In Woman's Realm

In devoting more space than formerly to the affairs of women, the Colonist is taking a step which it is hoped our lady friends will appreciate. Any communication from them of general interest will be welcome and carefully attended to.

HERE AND THERE

On this continent the state of Massachusetts has taken the lead in establishing industrial schools. With the advent of machinery the old fashion of apprenticeship went out. A boy no longer enters a workshop, and by slow and patient steps acquires a knowledge of his trade. The consequence is that in our workshops and factories there is a great lack of trained men. When the manual training schools were established it was hoped that they would not only make hand labor more popular, but that the boys and girls who had taken the course would begin their life's work with eye and hand so trained that mechanical processes would be more readily acquired than during their school days were spent in gaining knowledge from books. This hope has not been disappointed. But it is felt, in many quarters, that as the standard of education has been raised and the youth of the country spend a longer period of their lives at school, they should at the same time acquire such knowledge, as would, on their leaving school, enable them to earn their livelihood. This had already been done in the case of clerical work, and it was felt that it was only fair that those who intended, on leaving school, to become mechanics should have a similar opportunity. To this end industrial and technical schools have been established. Evening classes have been provided where ambitious young workers can perfect themselves in their employments. These schools have been in operation for two or three years and have fulfilled the expectations of their founders. Many states of the Union are preparing to follow the example set by Massachusetts, and there are many people in Canada who think that in the centres of population industrial education should be established.

Most women have been shocked at some time in their lives to realize what a hold fashion has upon their sex. No occasion is too solemn, and but few feelings too strong to render us deaf to the mandates of the fickle goddess. When we assemble to worship our attention is distracted by the thought of whether our dress is becoming, or the contrary. In spite of ourselves, the majority of us are passing involuntary judgments on our neighbors' costumes. It would be interesting to know how many of the women who attended church yesterday were utterly oblivious of their own dress, and took no notice of that of their friends or acquaintances. A few good souls there no doubt were, who, feeling that their own garments were becoming and suitable, gave them no further thought, and only remarked the costumes of other ladies as they did the gold and purple of the crocuses in the gardens they passed on the way to church. But it is much to be feared these formed but a small minority of the would-be worshippers. Perhaps the most excusable cause of distraction was the painful consciousness of the wearer that her dress was out of keeping with that of others. And yet, perhaps, the richest and most gaily dressed of the throng of churchgoers was less conscious of her outer seeming than this one who perhaps was carelessly characterized as a dowdy or even a fright.

In the house of mourning fashion forces her unwelcome presence. She presumes to order the dress of the mourner and even the wrappings of the poor dead form are subject to her interference, while the final parting which should be so solemn and so simple, becomes under her direction an occasion of extravagant and needless display.

In shallow and thoughtless natures attention to these details usurps the place of grief, but deeper and more sensitive souls feel that, here at least, no stranger should interfere.

If fashion interferes with our devotion and directs the observance of our grief, she has made herself the mistress of ceremonies in our joys. On that day, which to the true woman is the most important of her life, her wedding day—what time has she for thought or feeling?

Dress, her own, or that of her attendants, occupies every moment till she takes her place at the altar. Then for a brief space she may realize the solemnity of the step she is taking. It would be amusing, if it were not so sad, to see and hear how completely many a young bride's attention is taken up with the non-essentials of the wedding ceremony.

It may be said, doubtless, with much truth, that the beautiful and becoming dress is part of the joy of the day and adds to the bride's gladness while it does not take her thoughts from the solemnity of the step she is taking. But though we may acknowledge that fashion may dictate the dress adornments to be worn by the bride, there is a point beyond which that tyrannical Dame should not be allowed to pass.

This point seems to have been reached when she presumes to say how long or how short engagements should be. We notice, in a contemporary, that short engagements are now "the fashion."

The length of time that a man and woman who love one another should wait before being married should depend on anything else rather than fashion. The opinion of the outside world should in such a case have absolutely no influence on their decision. Our dress may be ruled by fashion, our conduct should have quite another master.

Tuberculosis may be said to be a disease caused by civilization. Before people learned to shut themselves up in close rooms and to breathe impure air, their lungs were strong. Dark, crowded rooms are the breeding places of the bacteria which cause consumption. Sunshine and fresh air are their greatest enemies. This is the chief

PERSONAL MENTION

The Colonist readers are asked to assist in making this personal column as complete as possible. Send or phone items to the city editor.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Irvine and child left last week for the Okanagan country for Mr. Irvine's health.

T. A. Mansell left for Salt Spring island on Saturday, having purchased his discharge from the garrison at Work Point.

Today the wedding will take place of Miss Florence Leiser, daughter of Simon Leiser, and Mr. Sol Oppenheimer, commission merchant of Vancouver. The ceremony will be performed by Rabbi Friedman of Vancouver.

On Thursday morning a party of prominent Victorians will leave on an extended trip of Europe, where they will spend several months. The party will consist of Col. E. C. Prior, Mrs. Prior, Miss Bessie Prior, Mrs. Lampman, Miss Gladys Perry, Col. A. W. Jones and Mrs. Jones. They will take the North Coast Limited to New York, where, after spending a few days, they will take the Republic and sail direct to the Mediterranean, where they will make a tour of the Riviera, returning home by way of Paris. An extended stay will be made in England, where from four to six months will be spent. Miss Bessie Prior will be placed in a school in Paris.

Mrs. and Miss Shoober, of San Francisco, who have been visiting with Mrs. Robin Danstun, left last night on the Rosalie and the Northern Pacific for home.

A. A. Aaronson and Dr. Redmond will leave on Thursday by the North Coast Limited for New York, where they will sail on the Mauretania for the Old Country.

P. T. Holland left yesterday on the steamer Jefferson for White Horse.

Mr. and Mrs. Cullen and family, of Port Arthur, Ont., have arrived in the city with the intention of locating here or in the immediate vicinity of the city.

F. R. Fraser Biscoe, rancher of the Comox district, is in the city and is staying at the Balmoral.

R. Cassidy, K. C., who has been acting for the province in the cases recently heard under the Natal act, left this morning on the Princess Victoria for his home in Vancouver.

J. McKnight, who has been spending a short time in the city, left this morning on the Princess Victoria for Vancouver. He will go through to Calgary.

J. Dean left this morning on the Princess Victoria for Vancouver, whence he will take the C. P. R. for St. John's, where he will sail on the Empress of Ireland for Liverpool. J. A. Snake will also sail on the same steamer for the Old Country.

D. Gowans, who has been making a short stay in the city, left this morning on a trip to St. Marys, Ont.

R. G. Williams left this morning on the Princess Victoria for Vancouver. He will go on to Rossland.

T. Hooper, of the firm of Hooper & Watkins, architects, left this morning on the Princess Victoria for Vancouver.

Among the passengers on the Princess Victoria for Vancouver this morning were: D. Bosworth, J. L. Stewart, J. M. Hamill, A. E. Carmichael, Miss Shanks, Miss Pettman, J. G. Woods, D. N. Robertson, M. J. Summers, C. Appleton, G. F. Booth, M. Macleod, A. E. Morris, C. A. Fields, Miss Fuller, A. R. Ferguson, F. Plaxton, Miss Orme, W. Wright, T. Kilpatrick, J. S. Hamilton.

Rev. John Robson, B. A., Nanaimo, is the guest of W. B. Deaville, 1 Gorge road.

Rev. S. J. Thompson left this morning for Vancouver to attend the Provincial Grand Council of the Royal Templars of Temperance.

WOMAN'S WORK

The Daughters of Pity held their regular monthly meeting at the board of trade rooms yesterday. Present were the honorary president, the president, treasurer, secretary and a number of other members.

Miss Angus handed in \$20 donated by a friend. Mrs. Hasell gave the secretary a check for \$350, the society's share of the proceeds of the Ciderella dance given at Government House.

The hospital needs were then discussed. As there is much work to be done, it was decided that the members of this society shall meet at the hospital every Friday during Lent, commencing Friday, March 6, for the purpose of doing necessary sewing. All members are requested to attend. After passing this resolution the meeting adjourned.

At the meeting of the Anti-Tuberculosis Society held a short time ago at Mrs. Fagan's, it transpired that there were at least three families in this city who were being cared for by the society. These people are in need of many things necessary for people in their condition. One of them consists of a father, mother and three little children. The parents are consumptives, in the judgment of those who have visited them. The children have a tendency to tuberculosis. The family have been cared for by the Home Nursing Society, but as the mother has recovered her usual health Mrs. Herbert's assistance can no longer be given. The other cases, though different in some respects, are alike in this, that good food is needed. Charitable ladies are asked to sort to Mrs. Rocke Robertson such things as would be suitable for the nourishment of these people. Fresh eggs are particularly asked for. Mrs. Robertson lives on the corner of Port and Broad street, and any groceries or eggs left with her will be distributed as they are needed.

CHOOSING OF COLORS

Color is a serious subject, writes the Hon. Mrs. Fitzroy Stewart, in the Strand Magazine, and the shades chosen in dress should be suited not only to a woman's appearance, but also to her character and circumstances.

It must be admitted that, as a nation we are not good colorists. There are certain mistakes that seem rooted in the minds of everyday Englishwomen, and these are that only fair people ought to wear black. In real fact a dark woman is often at her best in black and a brunette with a bright complexion will look magnificent. But a black gown to be successful must be in many blacks; it must have lace or jet and lights and shades should be introduced. It takes a woman wearing a dress well in white or in black. The wearing of white in everyday life needs much circumspection. In order to wear white with success a woman must be fair and slim.

Yellow is a splendid shade, and one that is both subtle and mysterious. But, with us yellow has been for many years greatly despised. It is one of the finest of colors, with many exquisite shades, and only when too pure is it unmanageable. A fair woman looks well in pale yellow and brown, and deep orange suits a brunette. A dull tawny shade, once called "buff," is also most becoming.

Blue has always been a favorite color with nations past and present. It seems difficult to account for its popularity. It is neither as stately as yellow, as vivid as red, nor as soft as grey, green or violet. Perhaps it is because there is not much real blue in nature. Turquoise blue is a lovely shade, and when carefully used proves most becoming. A popular fallacy that should be knocked on the head at once is that blue—especially a pale blue—suits fair women only, and never brunettes. In real truth, a dark woman, with a pale olive skin, never looks better than when dressed in pale blue, or with touches of turquoise-blue in a brown or black costume.

Brown has an unmerited reputation for lacking smartness. It is a difficult color to wear, and is at its best with red or auburn haired women. But it often looks well at night, either in tulle or mousseline, and a brown tulle ball-gown once made its mark when worn with yellow hair.

Gray, like white, if it is to be successful, must be worn with due regard to its limitations.

Green is said to be unlucky, but, then, so are opals and peacocks' feathers—two of the loveliest things in the universe. And green has charming varieties. The power of a bit of emerald-green is wonderful, and a fair woman will look her best in pale green crepe or chiffon. And a green taffeta gown is also a happy creation.

The wife of an agricultural laborer at Pulham St. Mary, Norfolk, was savagely attacked by a cat, which severely bit her fingers.

DON'TS FOR WORKING GIRLS

Beware of being the kind of a girl who is always on the lookout for "an easy job." Clashes don't grow on the business tree, and the hunter for "easy street" cocksureness. The girl who knows it all is generally the one who has most to learn.

Of unasked opinions. When your employers feel they can no longer exist without your advice, be very sure they will be ready to pay you well for it.

Of oversensitiveness. There are many troubles along the highway of business to be feared the thin-skinned.

Of curiosity about what concerns you not. A Paul Pry of either sex is soon spotted in an office; nor does that spotting need promotion.

Of chronic grumbling. A rousing fight for our rights, on occasion, is a surer success breeder than constant murmuring about our wrongs.

Of shiftlessness. System and thoroughness are formidable rivals of genius in the race for business success.

Of half-heartedness. If you are indifferent and unenthusiastic about your employer's affairs, be very sure his indifference to a bigger pay envelope will fully equal it.

Of untrustworthiness. Ability weighs light in the scale with honesty. And remember that business honesty is not merely a question of dollars and cents, but of conscientious service, as well.

Of grumps and grouches. No one wants to work around a sour-faced, snappy woman. If the soft answer and sunny smile counts, it is in the stress of office life.

Of crankiness to succeed. There is no surer way to fall short of success than to be so eager to mount to the heights that first steps are likewise.

The late Mrs. Jane Ross, of 3 Palace Gardens Terrace, London, widow of Mr. Hugh Ross, left £20,305.

Mr. Harris, a High Wycombe builder who went bankrupt twenty years ago and then paid a dividend of 7s. 6d. on the £, has just paid all his creditors in full.

COOKING IN CASSEROLES

The casserole convert is worse than the automobile enthusiast. After one has fully learned the joy which cooking in these little fireproof dishes brings there is no returning to the old and once-esteemed saucepans and skillets. Casseroles have the advantages of being cheap to buy, and of saving time and work once they are in use. If the dish is large enough one can cook almost an entire meal at one time, vegetables going in with the meat and receiving thereby a delicious flavor quite apart from that of the usual method of cooking. The plain dishes without meats or fancy trimmings are by far the most satisfactory. All sorts of embellishments may be added, and, of course, to suit the occasion. The gifts are placed in the casserole and each child is brought in separately and asked three or four senseless questions by the witch, who then gives the child a gift.

A shadow pantomime will appeal strictly to children over 10 years of age. Two rooms, which are separated by folding doors, are necessary for this. A sheet is stretched over the aperture in the same manner as a sheet is stretched for magic lantern pictures. The actors are placed on one side of the sheet and the audience on the other. The room in which the audience is seated should be lighted but dimly, while a lighted candle furnishes all the light in the room in which the actors are. A strong table is placed in the room, and a large, square, small one and a larger one. The table is placed in back of the higher stool on which the lighted candle is then placed in front of the larger one. The candle throws a light on the sheet and the actors dance and caper in front of it so that their shadows are cast upon the sheet.

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A game which is not new and yet which never fails to please and delight is "The big fish in the fish pond." The fish is concealed behind a screen or in a curtained alcove and each child in turn is given a fish pole to which a line and hook is attached. When the line and hook is dropped in the big fish asks in a gruff voice, "Who comes to my pond?" The child's name is given, and the child then is asked if he or she is a good child and other similar questions, and if all are satisfactorily answered, and of course they will be, the child is told to draw up the line, and on the end will find an offering from the fish. Little favors which will delight the simple heart of any child may be had in the stores for a mere song.

Another novel method for presenting favors to the children and which is delightfully mysterious is the "Witch's Cauldron." The room selected for this should be dimly lighted and green lights are preferred, as they cast weird shadows, which increase the ghastly atmosphere. The witch must not be made too hideous, for fear of frightening the little ones. All sorts of embellishments may be added, and, of course, to suit the occasion. The gifts are placed in the cauldron and each child is brought in separately and asked three or four senseless questions by the witch, who then gives the child a gift.

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SOCCER LEAGUE TEAMS ENTER FINAL ROUNDS

Pretty Fight in Senior and Junior Series—Locals Land Intermediate

The results in the big Island Soccer Football league last Saturday furnished no surprises to the followers of the game in any of the different series. The games in all going to the teams that were already the highest up in the league standing and the teams that have showed the most consistent form throughout the season.

In the senior series the local teams are hopelessly out of the race, neither the Y. M. C. A. or the J. B. A. A. representatives being able to come out on the winning side in a single game that they have played and each is now credited with a big goose egg of five straight losses and no wins. The big struggle will be between the present leaders in the race at present playing in the senior series, the Nanaimo team and the present contenders for that position, the Ladysmith team, and the next meeting between these two promises to be the best game that has taken place on the island this year.

The Ladysmith team have only been defeated once and that on the ground of Nanaimo, and they are confident that this setback will be more than offset when that team visits their town next Saturday. If Ladysmith wins, the race for the championship will assume a most interesting aspect, as both of these teams will be tied and the Esquimalt team will have a fighting chance of coming to the top. If on the other hand, the Nanaimo team win the game next Saturday they will have the championship clinched. The Esquimalt team at third position are playing good football, and it would not be surprising to see them take a fall out of either of the present leaders.

In the intermediate series the fast Victoria West eleven practically won the championship last Saturday by defeating the Nanaimo team at the Oak Bay grounds and proved that they are the fastest team in that series by long odds, in fact it is questionable if the Victoria West team is not even a better combination than some of the teams that are at present playing in the senior series. The Nanaimo team ran a nice second all through the race but were put out of the running last Saturday. Both the Ladysmith and the Y. M. C. A. teams are at the tail end of the struggle in this struggle although Ladysmith looks much better on the score card than do the Y. M. C. A.

In the Junior league there is lots of room for things to happen as both the Nanaimo and the North Ward teams are now tied and each are determined to come out with the pennant. The Nanaimo team had a rest last Saturday, but North Ward climbed the ladder to even terms with them by defeating the tail-enders at the Oak Bay grounds and showed such fine form that their admirers are warranted in betting that they will again come out as the champions.

This is the way the leagues stand at present:

SENIOR LEAGUE.				
	P.	W.	L.	T.
Nanaimo	6	6	0	2
Ladysmith	4	3	1	4
Esquimalt	5	3	1	4
Y. M. C. A.	0	0	5	0
J. B. A. A.	0	0	5	0

INTERMEDIATE LEAGUE.				
	P.	W.	L.	T.
Victoria West	2	6	0	1
Nanaimo	2	2	1	5
Ladysmith	2	1	0	4
Y. M. C. A.	0	0	0	0

JUNIOR LEAGUE.				
	P.	W.	L.	T.
Nanaimo	4	3	1	6
North Ward	4	3	1	6
Ladysmith	4	0	4	0

Tennis Championship

New York, Feb. 24.—Former champion, W. C. Grant, today defeated T. R. Bell, the holder of the national indoor lawn tennis championship in the third round of the singles on the courts of the Seventh Regiment armory. Grant outplayed Bell and won, 4-6, 6-1, 6-2. Grant appears to have a clear field to the final in the top half.

The Californian, G. T. Touchard, showed the strength of his game in the lower section today. He won his next bracket by defeating Dean Mathew, 5-6 and 8-3, against the good playing of the Princeton interscholastic champion. Slow progress was made in the doubles. A. C. Wright of Boston was paired with T. R. Bell, and they easily scored over L. J. Dreyfus and L. G.

Fischel, 6-0, 6-1, after the latter had disposed of T. C. Trask and Shepherd Thomas respectively. Yale and Princeton, 6-2, 6-1. C. Craig defeated the Columbia pair, Leo Loventrott and D. W. Peiser, 5-7, 6-3, 6-4. The contestants will reach the semi-finals bracket of the singles tomorrow.

ELK LAKE AND CENTRAL SCHOOL PLAY FOOTBALL

Close Game Between Scholars Results in Score of One All at Full Time

The game between the Central school and the Elk Lake team Saturday afternoon on Mr. Piercy's field, was one of the most closely contested that has ever been played on those grounds.

The Elk Lake team arrived at 10:30 on the morning train and as the game was not booked to take place until 2:30 the lads spent the morning on the beach where, under the care of their teachers, they had their fling until the hour of battle.

Shortly after the commencement of the game the Elk Lake team scored after some pretty combination work among the forwards. The play after this was very even, but before the half ended the Central school scored their first goal.

Upon resuming play in the second half both sides got into the game in great shape, but the town team carried a big power of strength in the Shadow boys. For the Lake Noble put up a great game, but the weak point in the play of their team was the lack of combination. A little less selfishness on the forward line would have told a different tale. Hugh Campbell played a strong game on the fullback line, and J. Elliot on the right half was always there to "detect the goods."

At the finish of the game, which was very friendly and gentlemanly throughout, the teams repaired to Mr. Piercy's home and partook of a bounteous supper. The lads took the train home at 6 o'clock amid cheers from the crowd. Much praise is due to both of the teachers for the trouble they took to give the boys an outing, and all report having a splendid time.

BIG ATHLETIC TOURNEY AT V.W.A.A. TONIGHT

An Attractive Programme Will Draw Large Crowd to See Trained Athletes

Everything is in readiness for the big athletic tournament tonight in the Victoria West gymnasium under the auspices of the V. W. A. A. and it is certain that the clubrooms will be crowded when the first number on the programme is called by the master of ceremonies, A. Monette.

At a meeting of the executive held last night it was agreed with the representatives of the J. B. A. A. that the referee for the big basketball game between the V. W. A. A. and J. B. A. A. senior teams would be Tom Peden, and with the appointment of the last formality in connection with the making of the big tourney a success was effected.

The meeting of these two basketball teams will be another test of the relative playing abilities of the big teams in the senior basketball series and will afford an opportunity for the fans to see the form that the J. B. A. A. display against a team that claims to be equally as fast as any in the series. Both of these teams are said to be in even better condition than they have been at any time during the coming season and both will have their strongest lineups on the floor when the referee blows his whistle.

The "go" between "Wat" Adams and Duffy is exciting much interest and the followers of the fight game in this city look to see some interesting proceedings when these two come together. Adams is much the heavier of the two, but his opponent is reputed to be very fast on his feet and will probably manage to elude the big Englishman. Both men have been training hard for the bout, and each is confident of winning the decision of the referee on points.

All of the other numbers on the programme are the same as published in the Colonist a few days ago, and the participants in all of these will give a performance well worth witnessing.

SWEDES AT OLYMPIAD LOOK VERY DANGEROUS

Athletes on This Side of Pond Will be up Against Men With Fine Records

Athletic performances of the first world's record for throwing the javelin was held by Erik Lemming of Sweden, who sent the spear 175 feet 6 inches at Athens, and who has since duplicated the feat on his native heath.

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In the middle and distance runs the Swedes have some good men. E. Dahl and E. Bjorn, both of Stockholm, came home in front of J. J. McGough, the Scotch champion, who last year ran in a fraction slower than four minutes and 20 seconds for the mile. This shows the kind of improvement going on in Sweden.

Sweden a Fast Sprinter. In the five mile run a Swede made the best time of last season for any country. The figures were 24 minutes 47-3-5 seconds, and the winner was J. Svanberg, who, it will be remembered ran second in the Marathon race at Athens. This record of Svanberg's is only 14 seconds behind the world's amateur record by A. Shrubbs, and is the second best time ever made for the distance. At the same meeting Svanberg won the four miles in 19 minutes 50-3-5 seconds. Should he be in the same form next year he is sure to take a lot of beating.

It is not very many years ago when the Manhattan A. C. Team visited Paris and on that occasion Eugene Van Schelle won the pole vault with a height of six feet six inches, beating all the Frenchmen. Such a jumper would win little today in Paris except they allowed him a step ladder.

F. Gordon, the French champion, has made last year's record of 1 1/4 inches short of the American mark, which is also the best in the world, and by Dray of Yale.

STANDING OF CLUBS IN ENGLISH FOOTBALL

Record of League Games Played, Won Drawn and Lost in Big Divisions

English League—Division I.				
	P.	W.	L.	D.
Manchester U.	23	18	3	2
Newcastle	23	12	7	4
Sheffield Wed.	24	14	8	2
Bury	25	10	8	7
Manchester C.	23	10	7	6
Bristol City	24	9	8	7
Barnsley	24	9	8	7
Preston N. E.	26	8	9	9
Everton	23	10	9	4
Notts County	26	8	11	7
Sheff. Utd.	25	10	7	3
Bolton Wanderers	26	10	12	3
Woolwich Arsenal	25	8	10	7
Liverpool	22	9	8	4
Aston Villa	24	6	9	3
Cardiff City	24	6	9	3
Chelsea	25	9	13	3
Blackburn Rovers	24	7	11	4
Birmingham	24	6	10	8
Sheff. Utd.	25	10	7	3

Division II.				
	P.	W.	L.	D.
Derby County	23	15	4	4
Bradford City	24	14	5	4
West Brom. A.	24	13	6	4
Oldham Athletic	25	10	7	3
Fulham	24	14	7	3
Hull City	25	14	9	2
Burnley	24	11	7	6
Leicester Fosse	25	10	7	3
Northampton W.	24	11	10	3
Stoke	24	11	10	3
Stockport County	24	8	9	7
Leeds City	24	8	11	5
Sheff. Utd.	24	8	11	5
Gainsboro' Trln.	24	8	11	5
Barnsley	23	8	11	5
Glossop	22	6	12	4
Grimsby Town	24	5	15	2
Blackpool	24	2	14	7
Lincoln City	24	5	18	1

Southern League				
	P.	W.	L.	D.
Queen's Park R.	22	13	4	5
Plymouth Argyle	22	12	4	6
Northampton	24	11	7	6
Tottenham Hot.	24	11	7	6
Bristol Rovers	22	12	7	3
Millwall	24	11	8	5
West Ham U.	23	9	8	6
Crystal Palace	24	11	3	10
Reading	24	10	4	10
Swindon	22	9	7	6
Southampton	22	10	3	9
Sheff. Utd.	24	10	4	10
Brighton and H.	21	7	9	5
Porthsmouth	22	8	11	3
Norwich City	23	6	10	7
Northampton	23	8	13	2
Brentford	23	8	13	2
Watford	23	7	12	4
Leiston	24	5	14	5
Luton	22	5	13	4

Scottish League				
	P.	W.	L.	D.
Dundee	27	17	4	6
Celtic	27	17	4	6
Falkirk	24	17	3	4
Hibernians	23	13	5	4
Greenock	23	13	5	4
Airdrieonians	26	13	9	4
St. Mirren	26	11	7	4
Motherwell	26	10	6	4
Northampton	26	10	6	4
St. Johnstone	26	10	6	4
Midlothian	26	10	6	4
Kilmarnock	26	10	6	4
Morton	26	10	6	4
Partick Thistle	26	10	6	4
Northampton	26	10	6	4
Hamilton Acad.	26	10	6	4
Port Glasgow A.	26	10	6	4
Queen's Park	26	10	6	4
Clyde	26	10	6	4

JEM ROCHE TRAINING FOR FIGHT WITH BURNS

Irish Champion Will Be Ready to Fight For His Life on St. Patrick's Day

Jem Roche early this month commenced his course of training for his fight with Tommy Burns. He remains in his native town of Wexford, but has selected quarters away from his parents' home, where he has every requisite that a man in preparation for a great fight could require. His companions are Nick Tennant, who will direct affairs; Bob Brown and Dan Kelly, whilst his backer is Jim Clarke, who has been frequent visits. Wexford has the advantage of possessing a capably equipped gymnasium, where the managers have allowed a punching ball of the American type to be fixed, the building being adjacent to Roche's apartments. The Irish champion has started on his training in the highest spirits, and expresses his determination to leave no stone unturned to enter the ring on St. Patrick's Day fit to fight for his life. Those who now chaperon him will know the duties they have undertaken, but no one envies Bob Brown and Dan Kelly, who will, in turn, put on the gloves with Roche, as the latter gives sight thought to the ordinary style of sparring, and however good his intentions may be when starting, he occasionally sends in a punch to be remembered by the recipient.

Roche contracted a slight cold, but the effects of this were entirely shaken off before he gave himself over to those who are directing his movements. A very liberal bill of fare has been arranged for Roche at the suggestion of an eminent physician, who has always evinced the liveliest interest in the Wexford man, and who is an ardent admirer of the manly art. He has appointed breakfast for 8 o'clock, to consist of a small share of porridge, chop or steak, fish or eggs, with weak tea. Lunch will be at 1 o'clock. Dinner is partaken of at 1 o'clock, and the menu for the principal meal is limited to roast beef or roast mutton, chicken twice a week, with spinach, cauliflower, lettuce or cabbage, followed by stewed fruits and grapes or bananas. Tea at 6 o'clock is a light repast consisting of slightly boiled eggs and toast, with a glass of stout or whisky. A few slices of bread and butter, with figs or bananas. The foregoing may or may not accord with ideas of how a fighter should be dined, but Roche will want for nothing that may in any way conduce to his well-being.

Baseball Playing Schedule.

New York, Feb. 24.—Both the American and National baseball teams will start their season this week. The principal business before the leagues will be the adoption of the playing schedules for the summer. At the National league meeting it was decided that Pullman will make a stand on the blacklist resolution adopted last fall at the meeting of the National association. He is said to have announced that unless the league members back up his stand he will resign his position.

B. C. A. A. to Form.

Vancouver, Feb. 24.—A mass meeting of the representatives of the various athletic clubs in British Columbia will be held at the Vancouver Athletic club on Friday, March 13, when the organization of a British Columbia Amateur Athletic Union will be provided. The committee which was appointed some time ago to look into the matter has decided to go ahead with the union, and in the month of May, a great stream of petroleum is flowing, writes a Madrid correspondent.

HACK AND JEFF FIGHT WOULD BE TREMENDOUS

Champion Wrestler and Fighter Would Break Bones if They Met in Ring

What would be the outcome of a battle between Champion Pugilist Jeffries and Champion Wrestler Hackenschmidt? If they were brought face to face, Jeffries would tower above the mighty wrestler as he gazes above the gorilla. Hack is less than 5 feet 10 inches tall and Jeffries is 6 feet 1 1/2 inches in his socks. He would be four inches over Hack's head, and his great overtopping the wrestler, would make it look ridiculous, but there the difference in size shifts in favor of the "smaller" man.

A remarkable fact that Hack's normal chest measurement is as big as the champion fighter's even when the latter puffs himself out to the limit of his expansion. His chest girth is forty-eight inches, and Jeffries is forty-four, with an expansion of four inches. Hack's neck is almost five inches bigger in circumference, his biceps three inches, and Jeffries' long, hardy neck is slender beside the short, powerful pillars that support Hack's massive trunk.

Jeffries, stripped, looks like nothing but what he is—a great fighting machine. He would never be picked out as a wrestling king, or the holder of medals for lifting power. He has none of the big gnarled bunches of flesh that are wasted around the neck and frame. But he has long, loose muscled arms that can move with quick killing force. Hackenschmidt, Jeffries, 5 ft. 10 in. Height, 225 pounds. 30 years. Age, 30 years. 70 in. Reach, 75 1/2 in. Neck, 17 1/2 in. Chest (normal), 48 in. Chest (expanded), 48 in. 37 in. Waist, 33 in. 18 1/2 in. Biceps, 15 1/2 in. 14 in. Forearm, 12 1/2 in. 9 in. Wrist, 9 in. 27 1/2 in. Thigh, 26 in. 17 1/2 in. Calf, 16 1/2 in. 11 in. Ankle, 11 in. Jeff's reach is five and three-quarter inches longer than Hack's, and in his best condition he would weigh about twenty-five pounds less. Even in a rough-and-tumble fight the weight advantage is worth while, and the weight is invaluable in fighting, wrestling, football or any game that involves bodily contact with the opponent.

It would be a brawl worth seeing. Also there would be no "finessing clinch." About the first clinch Hack would probably break Jeffries' ribs, and then throw him down hard enough to smother a few of the remaining bones. Can you imagine what would happen to a 210-pound man if Hack hurled him into the corner angle of a room, with the force of a mallet that he could put into the effort.

But while trying to get a hold, what would happen to Hack if Jeff landed on him as hard as he could? It has been said of Jeffries that he never yet has put his full strength into a blow in the ring. He seldom swings. Practically all of his knockouts have been delivered with a left hook. Suppose he were to set himself, start one from back of his knee, and meet Hack coming at him? If he had a chance to get a paper-mache and the shock to the base of the skull would result in concussion of the skull or over the heart. It is 10 to 1 Hack would not live ten seconds.

Ability to take "punishment" wouldn't figure in the battle, because, for some obscure reason in the scheme of things, a strong man's power to resist injury is ridiculously disproportionate to his power to inflict. Neither of these men could stand a minute beat up under the full assault of the other. Assuming that both are "game," Hack isn't as "tough" as Jeffries. Some time ago he decided to challenge Jeffries for the championship of the world, taking boxing lessons from Gunner Moir. He was getting on nicely until one day in a hot mix-up Moir smashed him on the forehead and broke his nose. Hack decided that boxing is too rough a game and the talk of his challenge dwindled down. If Moir could do that to Hack's ribs, what would Jeffries' pile-drivers accomplish in the way of high-class wreckage.

B. C. Field Trials Club.

Vancouver, Feb. 24.—The sixth annual trials of the British Columbia Field Trials club will be held at Ladner on October 1. The club proposes to hold trials this year a great success and has followed a purse of \$500 to be divided as follows: \$200 to the winner, \$100 to the runner-up, \$50 to the third, and \$25 to the fourth. These amounts will be divided to the winners of the two stakes, viz., fifty per cent. to the first, thirty per cent. to the second and twenty per cent. to the winner of the third.

BURNS AND JOHNSON TO FIGHT IN ENGLAND

Flattering Terms Offered to the Big Pugs for Limited Round Fight Across Pond

London, Feb. 24.—Tommy Burns, the heavyweight champion, and Jack Johnson, the negro heavyweight, may meet in this country to battle for the championship within the next few months. A syndicate of British sportsmen have offered a purse for a fight between Burns and Johnson to take place in England.

They have placed a deposit of \$2,000 with Messrs. Spalding, and Burns having accepted their terms, has deposited a similar sum as a forfeit. The inducements offered to Burns to meet Johnson are not disclosed. The syndicate offers Johnson \$5,000 win or lose or draw. The fight is to occur before June 10, and Burns insists on a 16-foot ring. He is also agreeable to the suggestion that James J. Jeffries act as referee. He appears elated at the opportunity thus afforded to meet Johnson, and says the terms are better than any other suggested in America. He cannot see how Johnson can refuse them if he really wants to fight.

Burns would like it to be a fight to a finish, but it is not likely that the authorities will allow any contest lasting over twenty or twenty-five rounds. If a fight is arranged it is expected that it will be at Newcastle or one of the Lancashire cities where a big crowd of spectators would be a certainty.

Burns is taking things quietly at present, doing just enough work to keep himself in condition. He will remain at Hampstead until March 1, when he will go to Dublin for his fight on St. Patrick's day with Jem Roche. He is very confident of his ability to defeat Johnson and thinks that Roche will not prove much more effective than Gunner Moir or Jack Palmer.

From a deep artesian well at Villamartin, in the south of Spain, a great stream of petroleum is flowing, writes a Madrid correspondent.

ADOPTS PRINCIPAL OF SALT WATER SYSTEM

City Council Favors Idea—Details Will Be Considered at Later Date

The city council has adopted the idea of a high pressure, salt water system of fire protection for the business section of the city. After having been held over for two weeks to allow of the aldermen becoming conversant with the recommendations contained in the report of the fire wardens on this matter, the question again came up for discussion at last night's meeting of the city council. It was at a late hour when the fire wardens' report was taken up, and beyond a unanimous acceptance of the idea by the council, nothing further was done.

The details of the scheme were not considered at length, but one or two changes in the plan of laying out the mains for the system were suggested, and in order to get an estimate of the cost of making such changes, it was decided to allow the matter to stand over for another week.

The fire wardens' report recommends that a high-pressure system be laid in the business section, the cost of the system necessary electric power, 900. The plan of laying the mains and the details concerning the distribution of the water have already been published.

Ald. Fullerton, chairman of the fire wardens, in introducing the matter to the council last night, stated that, as it was the intention of the council to act early date to place several of the streets along which it was proposed to lay mains for the high-pressure system, it would be advisable to start work on the system as soon as possible, so that the mains could be laid before the paving was done, thus obviating the necessity of tearing up the newly-laid pavements.

Can Get Power.

There has been some question raised as to whether the city would be able to obtain the necessary electric power from the British Columbia Electric company with which to run the pumps of the system. He had seen A. T. Goward, local manager of the company, who informed him that there would be no difficulty in the city obtaining the 350-horse power required, and as to the question of the location of the power line to the high-pressure plant, such line could be placed underground.

Ald. Pauline stated that he was quite in favor of the system as outlined in the report. The installation of such a system would be a move in the right direction, and the sooner the by-law to raise the necessary funds were passed the better it would be. At the present time the merchants of Victoria are paying a very high rate of insurance and a great amount of merchandise is exposed to the danger from fire. The idea of the system is not only to meet the wishes of the underwriters, but also to afford protection to the city. If the system could be installed, the fire wardens named by the fire wardens, it would be a great thing for the city, and he was sure that in two years the saving effected in reduced rates and added protection would fully warrant the city going to the expense of installing the plant.

Referred to Head Offices.

Ald. Hall pointed out that he had sent the details and plans of the proposed system to the head offices of those companies which are doing business in this city in order that they might consider the proposition, but no reply has as yet been received. The business section of the city is now being penalized by reason of the lack of fire protection and inadequate fire-fighting appliances. The high pressure system, together with the improvements which it is proposed to make in the domestic supply, was expected to do away, not only with the 30 per cent. increase in rates made in the rates covering business risks, but should also reduce the normal rates. However he thought it would be much better to allow the matter to stand over until the head offices of the various companies have been heard from.

Ald. Hall stated that he had recently been taking to an inspector from one of the head offices. This official felt that the plan as proposed by the fire wardens, fell short of that recommended by Robert Howe, and he had pointed out that two of the streets where the greatest congestion prevails, Government street and Fort street, would not have mains laid up on them. Ald. Hall suggested that the fire wardens have the opinion of the underwriters before starting on the scheme.

Ald. Pauline suggested that the council should pass upon the idea of the high-pressure salt water system, adopting the principal, and leave the details to a later date. The system as proposed did not probably go far enough, but it could be extended.

Government Street Protection.

Ald. Mable considered that a main should be run along Government street from the water works to the city hall. As at present proposed, Government street would have a main only as far as Johnson street. The only reason the city electrician, when preparing the plans, had not provided for the main being run to Fort street, was because to do so would cost about \$3 per foot, as the concrete on the pavement would have to be torn up and relaid.

The present plan calls for a ten-inch main from Herald to Johnson along Government. Ald. Henderson suggested making it a twelve-inch and later it could be extended through to Broughton to connect with the main there. As the question of extending the main to Broughton is in the air, it is thought that in view of the fact that the installation of the system would add to the

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fire protection in the outside sections by releasing a great part of the fire equipment for service in such sections, the whole city should pay for the plant, though it had been suggested that that part of the city served by the high-pressure system should bear the cost of installation.

It was finally decided to let the matter stand over for a week, when the city electrician can give estimates of the cost of making additions to the Government street main.

WILL BE BURIED HERE

Funeral of the Late Harvey Woodhouse Will Take Place This Afternoon at Ross Bay Cemetery

The funeral of the late Harvey Woodhouse will take place this afternoon from St. Barnabas' church to Ross Bay cemetery. A. J. Brace, secretary of the local Y. M. C. A., has been in communication with the parents of the young man in England, and the secretary of the Y. M. C. A. in Vancouver, and has received instructions from the former to have the remains interred in this city.

Letters addressed to the young man in care of the Y. M. C. A. were opened after his death, and it was found that prior to his having worked at Hatley park he was a resident of Vancouver and a member of the Y. M. C. A. in that city. The young man's father is an Anglican clergyman in the old country, and the first intimation that he had that his son was not in the best of health was the announcement of his death. The late Mr. Woodhouse was the possessor of considerable property in Vancouver. The funeral service will be conducted by Rev. G. Miller of St. Barnabas' church, and the pall bearers will all be members of the local Y. M. C. A.

Takes Place Today

The funeral of Charles Lind, who was found dead in his cabin on Humboldt street, will take place from Hanna's chapel at 11 o'clock today to Ross Bay cemetery. Rev. T. W. Gladstone will officiate.

W. T. Stead will sacrifice his beard, that has never known a razor, in order to have Oliver Cromwell included in the list of characters in the London historical pageant.

The grasshopper jumps about 200 times its own length.

REPORT RECEIVED FROM SUPERINTENDENT

Tells of the Work at the Provincial Asylum for Insane

The provincial government has included a vote of \$60,000 in the estimates for the next financial year, for the construction of a new asylum building at Coquitlam on the farm of the provincial asylum for the insane.

It is interesting to note that the medical superintendent of the institution, Dr. C. Doherty, in his annual report, which was presented to the legislature yesterday, recommends the erection of an entirely new building to accommodate 1,500 patients. He urges that the first step towards this be the erection of two buildings for chronic cases. The report received yesterday is the 36th annual one.

The report sets forth that the number of admissions was 221 during the last year, surpassed those of any previous year. It was an increase of 71 over the year 1906. Of these 168 were males and 53 females.

The most notable result of the past year in connection with the hospital was the ratio of cases reported as recovered and also the reduced duration of treatment. This was due to the larger percentage of the recoverable class which was admitted and also to the fact that the physicians of the province were taking a saner view of the function of the asylum.

Under the heading of "causes" the classification is as follows:

	Male	Female	Total
Hereditary	12	6	18
Alcoholia excess	13	1	14
Moral causes	9	9	18
Abuse of opium	1	1	2
Other causes	128	36	164

During the year a total of 91 patients were discharged, an increase of 12 over the preceding year. In all 14 escapes were recorded. Of this number 11 were parole patients, almost well. All with one exception were afterwards heard from. Of the 14, 4 are in other institutions, 5 are earning their livelihood while 4 are in the United States.

Two fatal accidents occurred during the year. In each the coroner decided that no blame attached to the institution. The staff has been changed but little. Dr. William Workman, who resigned on account of ill-health, was replaced by Dr. J. G. McKay. Thomas Cambridge was appointed clerk and Rev. Father Maitland, O.M.I., as Roman Catholic chaplain.

During the year every square rod of available land was cultivated, and the crop of fruit and vegetables resulting was sufficient to supply the institution for ten months of the year. The garden produce raised was valued at \$1,911.07, the fruit at \$983.44 and the farm produce at \$1,322.80.

Two new wards have been completed one of which is already occupied. They provide for the accommodation of about 80 additional patients.

A large party of patients have worked continuously during the past year clearing the land at the new farm. A fine site, comprising some 20 acres, is now ready for buildings.

The per capita cost of maintenance was \$178.59; with one exception the lowest in the history of the institution, notwithstanding the fact that contract prices have advanced 20 per cent.

In all 14 departments exist, each with a separate head. The superintendent thanks the members of the government for the fact that not even a taint of political favoritism exists to hamper the proper management.

The needs of the hospital are given at some length. The use of the therapeutic treatment will involve the installation of five additional continuous baths at a cost of \$2,500.

The most urgent need is a well equipped laboratory to conduct pathological and other investigations. The necessary apparatus at the start would cost \$1,200.

Middleton Liberals insist that Lord Dufferin must devote attention to politics and less to cricket or they will seek another representative.

COUNCIL ASKS POLICE COMMISSION TO ACT

Adopts Committee's Report on "Road Houses" and Alleged Violation of Regulations

The health and morals committee of the city council has been busy the past week, considering the questions referred to it at last week's meeting of the city council, the complaint of S. T. Hastings regarding the alleged ill-repute of a house on Herald street near Douglas street, and also the question of the better regulation of "roadhouses" outside the city limits. Several complaints have of late been made anent the keeping open on Sundays of these road houses, and the rowdy behavior of parties, male and female, who frequent them.

Committee's Findings. At last night's meeting of the city council the report of this committee, the chairman of which is Ald. Glendon, submitted the following report, which was adopted and will be referred to the police commission, which will doubtless consider the findings at its next meeting:

In regard to a communication received by the city council from S. T. Hastings, and referred to this committee, calling attention to the existence of a house of ill-fame on Herald street, near Douglas street, your committee find that before the house was occupied by the present tenants, the owner was duly cautioned that the house could not be used for improper purposes, and this caution was given to the owner more than once, in fact several times.

Your committee further request the council to ask the police commission to take such steps as may be possible to prevent the arrival of this undesirable class from outside ports.

In view of the detention at the present time, in the Victoria jail of a large number of prisoners from the mainland, we recommend that the attorney-general's department be requested to release the said prisoners upon expiration of sentence at the place of conviction.

Having regard to reported ill-conducted road houses in the environs of the city of Victoria we recommend that the Saanich municipality and the Oak Bay municipality be requested to take steps to regulate the sale of liquor along the same lines as the regulations of the city of Victoria. Also that representations be made to the attorney-general requesting him to more effectively enforce the observance of the Sunday closing law in the districts adjacent to the city of Victoria.

Your committee is given to understand that section 5 of the Liquor Regulation Bylaw is not being observed in some of the licensed saloon premises, and we therefore recommend that the attention of the police commissioners be directed to this, and that they be requested to see that the by-law is complied with.

C. E. Scane, a pioneer of Ridgeway, is dead there, aged 73.

URGES NEED OF LIFE SAVING APPLIANCES

Claims City is at Present Without Necessary Means to Save Lives

The present wholly inadequate provision for the saving of lives along the city water front, and the need of the establishment of life-saving stations and appliances in proper positions so that in cases of accident immediate aid could be given to any unfortunate who might be in danger of losing their lives in the harbor, has been brought to the attention of the city council. At last night's meeting of that body a communication from Ian St. Clair, physical instructor in the public schools, was read. Last year Mr. St. Clair brought this matter to the attention of the council, but nothing was done.

Need of Protection.

Mr. St. Clair's letter was as follows: Gentlemen, I would respectfully request you to direct the establishment of life-saving stations on the shores of the Victoria Arm, (2) the placing of life buoys in proper positions on all wharves, water-gates and boat-houses.

Since I first attempted to obtain these appliances for public safety, there have been three fatal drowning accidents on the Victoria Arm that might have been prevented had my recommendations been carried out.

As it is, existing safeguards are quite inadequate, and indeed I am informed that the C. P. R. wharf is the only one with any sort of an equipment.

I would also respectfully draw to your council's attention the great benefit to the citizens of Victoria and the public generally if steps are taken to preserve for swimming purposes that part of the Victoria Arm commencing at the Gorge bridge, thence south for half a mile.

This reach with a lock at the Gorge and proper arrangement for preserving its purity is an ideal natural swimming bath, and I venture to say that its equal does not anywhere exist on this continent or in Europe.

Preserve the Gorge.

As a result of the highly commendable policy of your honorable body and the enterprise of the B. C. Electric Railway company, there has been lately an enormous increase in the number of persons who are attracted towards this particular spot.

It would be indeed a pity if this resort should become polluted and cease to be the attraction it is at present not only to Victorians but to all strangers in the city.

There ought also to be proper precautions taken for their safety, in view of the large number of people who frequent the Gorge and who have no knowledge of seamanship, canoeing and swimming than the average holiday maker elsewhere.

The communication was referred to the streets, bridges and sewers committee for consideration.

The residence of Frank Lucas at Aylmer was burned.

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DEBATE ON TEMPERANCE

Epworth League Members Not Unanimous in Method of Suppressing Liquor Traffic

An animated debate took place last evening in the Epworth league room of the Metropolitan Methodist church and a large number of the members and others were present. The chair was occupied by the rector, Rev. G. K. B. Adams. An unusual incident of the debate was the reversal of the judge's decision by a vote of the audience.

It was resolved "That the friend of temperance should strive for government ownership, rather than local option with a view of securing the total prohibition of the liquor traffic."

The affirmative was taken by Messrs. Finch, Gordon and Fitchie, and the negative by Messrs. Harrison, Charleston and Brace. The judges were Rev. G. W. Dean and Messrs. Williams and Hardwick. The judges decided in favor of the affirmative by a score of 10 points to 7, but the audience subsequently reversed this decision by an overwhelming majority.

ELOCUTIONARY RECITAL

Rev. E. Tremayne Dunstan Delights a Large Audience at First Congregational Church

The elocutionary recital given by Rev. E. Tremayne Dunstan at the First Congregational church last night was attended by a large audience who thoroughly enjoyed themselves. Miss Reid, president of the Young Peoples' society, under whose auspices the entertainment was given, occupied the chair.

The programme consisted of the following: selection from "That Well of English Unfettered"; Hamlet's soliloquy; the selection, "All the World's a Stage," from "As You Like It"; Wolsey's Lament; Othello's address to the Senate, selection from Tennyson's "Lord of Burleigh"; "Lady Clara Vere de Vere"; "The Northern Farmer"; a Lincolnshire dialect; "Not Understood," an Australian piece; "How McDougald Topped the Score"; another Australian story, "A Canadian story," "The Clown's Baby," and "Sammy Gist's Little Maid."

NEW HOME FOR AGED AND INFIRM WOMEN

Committee of Management Make Application to City for Grant

The necessity for more accommodation at the Home for Aged and Infirm Women has so impressed itself upon the committee of management that it is probable that within a short time a new building will be erected. The cost of such a new building will be in the neighborhood of \$20,000 and all modern appliances will be installed. The committee of management has applied to the city for a grant of \$5,000, the request being made in the following communication from the honorary secretary-treasurer of the home, Lauretta B. Gould, read at last night's meeting of the city council, and which will be considered when the estimates for the year are considered:

Gentlemen,—In view of the fact that the building now occupied as an Aged and Infirm Women's Home is quite inadequate to accommodate those needing shelter there, the committee of management for the institution feel that they must make an effort to erect a more commodious structure during the coming summer. As this should be a permanent building with all modern appliances, large enough to accommodate some fifty women, it is estimated that it will cost in the neighborhood of \$20,000. Six thousand of this amount is already in the possession of the said committee, besides which the Home owns property worth probably about \$4,000. The above two items they hope to largely augment by subscriptions, entertainments, etc., but they still solicit the assistance of your honorable body for the amount of at least \$5,000. They deem this request not exorbitant in view of the fact that for the past ten years they have comfortably cared for a large number of women belonging to the city, giving them board, lodging, clothing, medicine, medical attendance, all for a sum of \$15 per month per head at present. Formerly we received but \$10. At present we are caring for eighteen women, as many as we can possibly accommodate.

Henry Hudson.

A man of whom very little positive information is ascertainable is Henry Hudson. A recent publication "Henry Hudson, His Times and Voyages," by E. Bacon (for sale, Vm. Tryells, published by G. P. Putnam's Sons), is in no sense a life, for it is impossible to write a biography when all that is known of the subject is crammed into four adventurous years, lasting from 1607 to 1610. Even in this short space all that we are certain of is contained in the accounts of his voyages. His family life is completely veiled. He would seem to be the grandson of the alderman in the city of London, whose curious epitaph is still to be seen at St. Dunstan's.

Here lyeth Henry Heardsone's corps, Whose this tomb of stone: His soul through faith in Christ's death To God in Heaven is gone. Whiles that he lived an alderman And skinned seas his state, To virtue bore hee all his love, To vice bore hee his hate. He had to wife one Barbara And made this tomb to see By which hee should be knowne, Eight sonnes and daughters three. Obitt 22, Decemb. An. Dom. 1555."

This is the total of our knowledge with reference to Hudson's genealogy. In 1607 he made his first voyage, sailing to Greenland and Spitzbergen. The ice prevented the possibility of any important discoveries. This barrier also deprived him of results in the second voyage, undertaken in the next year. It was in the third that the Hudson River was explored, the eastward bound sea being undertaken by a Dutch company.

In the fourth voyage—that in which Hudson's Bay was discovered—the threatened rising broke out, strong after a hard winter, and the intrepid explorer, together with the honest of his crew, was set adrift in an open boat, and provisionless. The uncertainty as to his end has never been found—the ignorance as to whether the barren lands were reached.

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adds a morbid interest to Hudson's death.

The book is well written and undoubtedly interesting.—Toronto Globe.

Restoring Turquoises.

There is no doubt that many of the turquoises which have changed from blue to green have done so through an accumulation of grease, for they are very porous. But this can often be rectified by placing them in a solution of equal quantities of ammonia and spirits of wine, or covering them with a paste made of Fuller's earth and alcohol and water. Petroleum, if judiciously applied, will also often answer the purpose. In the coronation chair at the Kremlin in Moscow both blue and green turquoises are imbedded so that we may take it that green turquoises are not altogether unwearable.—The Queen.

CONSERVATIVES OF ESQUIMALT ORGANIZE

Enthusiastic Meeting Held Last Evening—Confident of a Forthcoming Success

The meeting of the Conservatives of Esquimalt district last evening at Day's hotel was largely attended, though the meeting was not called until the Saturday preceding. The Esquimalt division of the district formally organized and appointed officers. A mass meeting of the electors of the district will be held in the near future which Hon. Mr. McBride and other prominent Conservatives will be asked to address. The first public meeting of the campaign in the division will be held on Saturday evening next at Metchohn which will be addressed by the premier and others. A tallyho will leave the Driford at 6.30 p.m. for that point.

The meeting elected the following officers:

President—H. Pooley.
Vice-President—R. A. Anderson.
Secretary-Treasurer—J. R. Saunders.
Executive committee—C. E. Pooley, J. Johnson, W. Duncafe, D. M. Robertson, Charles Gillman, F. Buck, L. Leigh, J. Ball, A. Gowan and J. Day.

It was moved that the following four gentlemen be delegates to the National convention: J. R. Saunders, M. Pooley, D. Robertson and W. J. Duncafe. The following alternates were also selected: J. Ball, R. A. Anderson, J. Johnson and C. Gillman.

The executive will meet March 2, next, and will then arrange for the place, time and speakers for the public meeting to be held later.

Amongst those present were: C. E. Pooley, J. R. Saunders, H. Pooley, R. A. Anderson, W. J. Duncafe, G. Babington, J. Johnson, D. H. Robertson, Charles Gillman, F. Buck, L. Leigh, J. Ball, A. Gowan, J. Day and many others.

The meeting was a most enthusiastic one and all agreed that organization was the only requisite to retrieve the seat for the Conservative cause. That organization, they believed, would be forthcoming.

An Early Suffragist.

Those who labor under the impression that the talk about women's rights, woman suffrage, and so forth, is an outgrowth of recent years and sadly mistaken, says London Titi-Bits. In the Northampton Mercury for August 11, 1832, occurs the following account of what took place in the House of Commons on August 3 of that year: "Mr. Hunt presented a petition from a lady of fortune and family, who is also a single lady, praying that she might be admitted to a share of the representation. Her name was Mary Smith, of Stanmore in York. She said that females were only kept in thralldom among barbarians and heathen nations but in this country, which had risen to so high a pitch of civilization, such restriction should be abolished."

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Readers of Scott will be interested in the discovery made by Mr. Herbert Allport and communicated by him to the Spectator, that Scott's heroines, with the exception of Lucy Ashton, are all of them motherless. In "Waverley" there is a motherless heroine, Flora McIvor and Rose Bradwardine; in "Guy Rannering" there are Julia Manning and Lucy Bertram; in "Rob Roy" there is Di Vernon; in "Old Mortality" Edith Bellenden; in "The Heart of Midlothian" Jeanie Deans; in "Ivanhoe" Rebecca and Rowena; in "Kenilworth" Amy Robsart; in "The Pirate" Minna and Brenda Troil; in "The Fortunes of Nigel" Margaret Ramsay—and so through all the list.

Scott's Heroines.
Mohammedans resident in England celebrated "The Feast of Sacrifice" at the Holborn restaurant. Though in European dress, they wore turbans or fez during the service, when they stood

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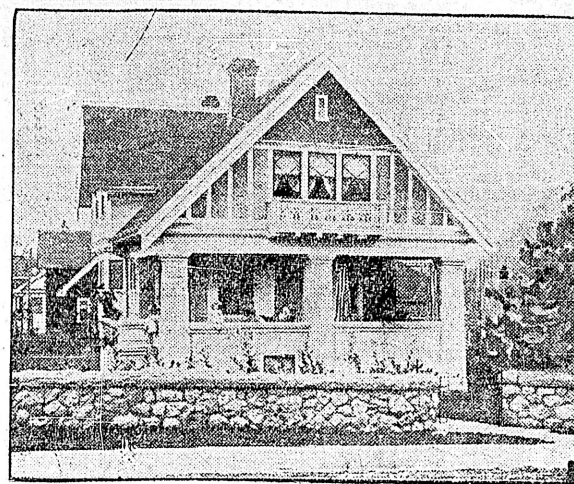
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Mainland News

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Vancouver, Feb. 24.—Shortly after 9 o'clock this morning the piles supporting Bostock & Abbott's shed on the city ship, Heatley avenue, gave way and a section of the floor slid into the waters of the harbor, carrying with it 300 tons of cement.

Bostock & Abbott have recently built a big shed at the end of this city wharf, and on Friday the bulk Melanope finished discharging 1,200 tons of cement in barrels consigned to the firm from France. The cement practically filled the shed to the roof, and the weight was too much for the worm-eaten piles to bear, with the result that a section of the floor, measuring about 30 feet by 100 feet, dropped out of sight, carrying the barrels with it.

Capt. Morrison immediately took all precautions against a barricide being erected, only those persons having business being allowed on the wharf. Naturally when the cement went down the water came up, and a wave surged around the wharf which gave the tugboats moored there an anxious time, but luckily no damage was done to the towing fleet.

The action of the salt water will solidify the cement, and unless salvage operations are commenced immediately it will be exceedingly difficult to drive new piles through the mass of hardened cement.

NORTH FORK MINING

Large Amount of Machinery to be Installed by Company Owning Little Bertha Mine

Grand Forks, Feb. 24.—Twenty thousand dollars' worth of machinery will be installed on the property of the Little Bertha Gold Mining Company before July 1, says Dr. Appleton, of Spokane, who is trustee for a controlling interest in the mine.

The property is situated about twelve miles up the North Fork of Kettle river, on Pathfinder Mountain, the Kettle Valley line, railway running past the property.

"We believe we have made the best investment which has fallen to the lot of Spokane men in many a day," said Dr. Appleton. "We have demonstrated through the investigations of Engineer John F. Wilkinson that there are eight per cent on the ground of the Little Bertha. The property consists of one hundred and twenty-six acres. The values in the ore of the Little Bertha run unusually high. Scores of assays made recently show that the ore goes from \$30 to \$200 per ton. A recent shipment to the smelter gave returns of \$75 per ton on the ground, to make regular shipments after July 1."

Hoisting apparatus has been purchased in Spokane, and will be shipped to the property immediately. A tunnel will be driven to ascertain what values can be obtained on the lower levels. The machinery to be installed this spring will include a ten-stamp mill, crushers and concentrators for treating the ore on the ground.

NO HARM IN ROUGE

Vancouver Clergyman's Sermon on the Ethics of Personal Decoration

Vancouver, Feb. 14.—That there is no sin in a woman painting her face was the opinion delivered at the First Baptist church last night by Rev. P. Clifton Parker. He took for his text the story of Jezebel and John 12:1, remarking that the system of painting the face was as old as the hills. Ancient ladies were fond of it and modern ladies also observed the custom. In this instance Jezebel painted her face and attired her hair and sat in a window with the object of impressing John with her royalty, and not with any other purpose.

"As far as I am concerned," went on the clergyman, "a woman can rouge if she likes. I do not think there is any more harm in a woman painting than in dressing nicely—she does it to improve her appearance. Some people say it is wrong, but those people are ever on the lookout for little faults and calling them sins, but sins are not the condition of the heart. If only we could have our hearts inspired by the spirit of God, if only we could have our wills controlled by the law of God, if only we could have our hands and hearts filled with the service of God, and our souls tuned to the music of God, then our cheeks and faces would be as fresh as if they were kissed by morning dew."

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So all old people need Cascarets. And most of them need them daily. One might as well refuse to aid weak eyes with glasses as to neglect this gentle aid to weak bowels. The bowels must be kept active. This is important at all ages, but never so much as at sixty.

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VETERANS AT CHURCH

Many Who Have Seen Service in War Turn Out Sunday Parade With Militia

Vancouver, Feb. 24.—The largest and most representative church parade in Vancouver's history took place yesterday afternoon at Wesley Methodist church. Headed by the band of the Duke of Connaught's Own Rifles and the Sixth Regiment, with the bugle band, the line included the veterans of the Crimean war and Indian mutiny. Legion of Frontiersmen, South African campaigners, Vancouver Pipers' Society, Sons of England as well as representatives from other organizations.

Wesley church was far too small to accommodate the hundreds who were desirous of attending the service. The commodious edifice was filled to its fullest capacity and many had to stand up throughout the entire service. Rev. C. C. Owen, rector of Christchurch, was in charge of the service as chaplain of the regiment, and Rev. Robert Milliken delivered an eloquent address that had a special bearing on the occasion.

The regiment as well as the other organizations paraded at the drill hall at 2.30 o'clock. The line of march was lined on either side by spectators and many were the expressions of satisfaction as to the splendid showing the regiment as well as the other organizations made. In the church were members of the local branch of the Navy League, members of the Daughters of England, A. O. F., and other bodies. Mayor Bethune was also present at the service.

COMMITTED FOR TRIAL

Evidence at Preliminary Hearing in Case of Goodwin, Accused of Cattle Stealing

Kamloops, Feb. 24.—There were some sensational developments at the preliminary hearing in the case of A. C. Goodwin, charged with stealing horses from the Douglas Lake Cattle company. Justice Pearce committed the accused for trial on seven counts. Bail was granted in the sum of \$14,000 in two sureties for \$5,000 each, and himself in a like amount.

Oliver Walker, the leading witness for the prosecution, testified that last April he rounded up twenty-eight head of horses belonging to the company. Subsequently the animals were driven to the corral at Greaves, where the brands of fourteen head were treated to an application of a lump jaw and spavin cure, which, creating a blister, raised the hide and caused the brand to come off in a few days.

In this operation he was assisted by Goodwin, who later drove the horses and others to the number of twenty-five to a field belonging to the accused. During a conversation Goodwin expressed his intention of selling the horses. Later a man named Lauder, after quarrelling with Goodwin, told the witness that he had seen enough to send Goodwin to jail.

Charles Wilson, K. C., represented the crown, and A. S. MacIntyre and J. Murphy appeared for the defence.

Chinaman Drowned.
New Westminster, Feb. 24.—Tung Wai, a Chinese resident of Port Moody, was drowned in shallow water in the bay on Saturday. It is believed that he was taken with a fit, to which he was subject, and fell into the water when no one was near.

AMERICAN'S CELEBRATE

Washington's Birthday Honored by Colony in Vancouver—Successful Entertainment

Vancouver, Feb. 24.—Vancouver's American colony, aided by quite a number of Canadians, enjoyed a thoroughly good time Saturday night at the smoke-talk entertainment held at the recently organized American club's temporary quarters in the Australasian club rooms in honor of the birthday of George Washington.

That there was a liberal response to the invitations to the affair than even the promoters had anticipated was evident from the fact that every seat in the lounge-room, the scene of the main festivities, was occupied early in the evening, the sides and spare corners of the room being occupied by late comers standing, while not a few were compelled to distribute themselves through the adjoining halls and rooms.

Col. L. Edwin Dudley, American consul, opened the programme with a neat speech on behalf of the American colony in which he thanked the Australians for their co-operation and their courtesy in throwing open their doors to him and his fellows, following this by a few remarks on the occasion at hand, eulogizing Washington and the other great men of American history.

J. J. Miller, president of the Australasian club, replying for his organization, cleverly turned Col. Dudley's spoken appreciation of the Australasian's courtesy by declaring that although it was true that the club had thrown open its doors to the newly-organized band of fellow townsmen, yet Americans with your well-known and characteristic desire for independence, refused to come in unless you paid your way, so now you have as much right here as we have ourselves."

He then proceeded to pay a tribute to Washington, Lincoln and other presidents of the United States, arousing great applause by adding that no worthier occupant had ever graced the chair than the present head of the American nation. He also provoked prolonged cheers when he declared that with the British and American peoples continuing their present friendly relations, they unquestionably held the reins of the world in the hollow of their hands.

Following the speeches there was a more or less informal musical programme. The evening was concluded with an old-fashioned New England dinner consisting of baked beans, brown bread, doughnuts, cheese, coffee, etc.

Enlarging Car Shops.

New Westminster, Feb. 24.—The British Columbia Electric Railway company is calling for tenders for the erection of a large addition to the car-shops in this city which will double the capacity of the works.

Funeral of J. I. Breen.

New Westminster, Feb. 24.—The funeral of the late J. I. Breen took place Saturday afternoon to the I. O. O. F. cemetery at Sapperton, and was attended by a large number of the members of the Orange order.

South African Veterans.

New Westminster, Feb. 24.—A meeting of the South African campaigners of this city was held Saturday night, when it was decided to form a local association here with the consent of the parent association in Vancouver.

Burnaby's New Clerk.

Vancouver, Feb. 24.—Burnaby council met on February 15. Seventy-one applications were received for the combined office of clerk, assessor and collector. Six of the candidates were selected for an interview with the council. Ultimately C. T. Saunders, of 534 Campbell avenue, Vancouver, was elected to fill the vacancy, his duties to commence March 1.

Family's Narfow Escape.

Golden, B.C., Feb. 24.—About 3 o'clock yesterday morning the residence of W. J. Wright, situated some six miles south of this city, was completely destroyed by fire. Mr. Wright and his family barely escaped with their lives. The cause of the fire is not yet known. The damage is about \$2,500 but little insurance on the property.

Plants Thrive on Steam

A woman famous among her friends for her thrifty house plants ascribes her success to her practice of steaming them.

"Whenever they begin to droop and look as if they needed 'tending' they get a treatment," she said recently. "She has a row of hooks arranged on the bathroom wall over the tub, and from these she suspends the pots by strings to within two feet of the water, the plants having previously had a thorough watering. The door and windows are closed, with the exception of a narrow crack left at the top of one of the latter, and the tub is filled with water hot enough to allow a gentle steam to rise and pervade the atmosphere."

In this position the plants are left for an hour, and the operation is repeated until they are restored to health. This, of course, can only be done in a room with painted walls, as the constant steaming will loosen paper.

Oldest Woman in England.

The recent death of Mrs. Honor Coleman, of Cleve, Somerset, in her 107th year, was the subject of a coroner's inquest, when some remarkable medical testimony was given. Dr. Johnson, of Yatton, in giving the result of the post mortem examination said that death was immediately due to a fractured thigh bone, caused by Mrs. Coleman falling out of bed. But for this accident she might have lived many years longer as all her organs were perfectly healthy and in a wonderful state of preservation. In fact, there was no trace of any disease. Mrs. Coleman was generally considered the oldest woman in England, and it was her proud boast that she had never taken any medical care. Her mother lived to the age of 101, and, curiously enough did not then die from disease, her death being caused by being accidentally drowned.

The London teamsters have won their strike to keep their pay at \$4 per day and laborer's pay has been increased from \$1.25 to \$1.50.

PRIEST SHOT DOWN IN DENVER CHURCH

Anarchist's Crime Without a Parallel in the Church's History

Denver, Feb. 24.—Father Leo Heinrich was shot and killed when administering the sacrament at early mass in St. Elizabeth's Catholic church, Eleventh and Curtis streets, this city, at 8 o'clock yesterday morning. Kneeling at the altar rail between two women, Giuseppe Alo pressed the muzzle of a revolver against the body of the priest, after receiving from him the consecrated wafer, and shot the man of God through the heart. Exclaiming, "My God, my God!" Father Leo fell prone in front of the altar and died without uttering another word.

With an inarticulate scream of triumph, which the communicants describe as the yell of a demon, the assassin sprang into the aisle and, waving the smoking gun about his head, dashed to the church door. For a moment the 100 or more people in the church were dumbstruck. Then a woman shrieked and the congregation became panic-stricken. Some women fainted and several became hysterical. Several men rushed to the aid of the priest, and others started in pursuit of the murderer. Among the latter was Patrolman Daniel Creffin, who overtook the fleeing priest, and in which he attempted to shoot the policeman and was foiled and overpowered only after a desperate fight in which several men had come to the assistance of the officer.

The murderer was hurriedly removed to the city jail, and as threats of summary justice were made by many men in the church, which quickly gathered in front of the church, Chief of Police McHale Delaney called the reserve force of patrolmen, who were kept on guard day and night.

In the twenty-century history of the Catholic church, members of its priesthood in this city declare, there is no record of a tragedy to parallel the killing of Father Leo Heinrich at the altar of St. Elizabeth's church yesterday morning. This crime, they say, will stand out as one of the most fearful in the criminal records, and its perpetration may result in the canonization of Father Leo as a martyr of the church, in whose service he fell while performing his duties.

Father Heinrich, a pastor of St. Elizabeth's, received a telegram last night from the father provincial in Paterson, N. J., instructing him to forward the body of Father Leo to that city. Father Wm. O'Ryan, pastor of St. Leo's, will deliver an eulogy on Father Leo, and a sermon against anarchy and socialism. The funeral services will be held by five thousand members of the Knights of Columbus, and the entire body of the Knights of St. John and other Catholic aggregations.

The murderer talked freely in jail concerning his fiendish act. For his crime, he declared he had no regret. He said he is a native of Sicily, is a shoemaker, and is 56 years old. He became a socialist and an anarchist 20 years ago. He came to America two years ago, and has since been teaching anarchy, working but little at his trade.

Colorado Springs, Colo., Feb. 24.—Giuseppe Alo, the anarchist who shot and killed Father Leo Heinrich at Denver yesterday, and who is being held in jail here, says that he was moved to kill the priest by the ringing of the church bells, which reminded him of his home in Sicily, which, he said, was wrested from him by the church.

It appears from statements made by the murderer, that while living in Italy he was expelled from the church in consequence of his anarchistic teachings, and that his wife left him. Her desertion further enraged him against the church and the priests, and when he heard the church bells ringing yesterday morning, he decided to go out and kill one priest, at least, and more if he could. The murderer said that Giuseppe Alo was his right name, and that he was born in Avalon, Sicily, on August 10, 1857.

Denver, Colo., Feb. 24.—St. Elizabeth's Catholic church, desecrated by the murder of Father Leo, was rededicated with solemn ceremonies this afternoon. The services were conducted by Rev. Father A. Phillips, canon of the diocese, having been authorized in a telegram from Bishop Matze, who is now in Los Angeles.

District Attorney Stidger is arranging for a speedy trial of the man who killed Father Leo, and who is now confined in jail at Colorado Springs.

A Gourmet's Guide.

Lieut.-Colonel Newnam-Davis, assistant editor of the Sporting Times, was preparing a new edition of "The Gourmet's Guide to Europe," a recognized authority on dishes. In his searchings for fresh entertainment for his epicurean palate he has exhausted the resources of the epicurean chef. He has not confined himself to the menus of Europe. He has a varied taste which will permit him to enjoy, or at least sample, whatever dish comes his way. During his travels round the world strange foods have found their way into his mouth, and in many cases they have proved more succulent delicacies than their names would lead one to believe.


Chinese puppy dogs, he says, are not so repugnant to the educated palate as is generally supposed. In the first place, they are not ordinary dogs, but poodles specially bred for human consumption and fed on cream and rice. Cooked by an expert they taste like very delicate rabbit.

Porcupine, despite its fretful quills, is another animal which has yielded up a meal to Lieut.-Colonel Newnam-Davis. Here again one must know how to cook it to appreciate it.

It is not plucked like a goose, but rolled in clay and baked over a good fire. Then when the clay is broken the porcupine is easily unquilled and ready for eating. "It tasted like a delicious jelly," says the Lieutenant-Colonel.

Even the elephant, with its tough and uncomplimentary exterior, is quite edible. Elephant's foot, surely, is not the tenderest part, is very good eating, we are told.

The very idea of the caudal appendage of the kangaroo, with its exceptional muscular development is sufficient to cause discomfort to the dyspeptic, but the proof of the pudding is in the eating. Kangaroo tail can be so treated that but for its difference in hue it might easily be mistaken for ox tail soup.



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FOR SALE—PROPERTY

BUILDERS, ATTENTION—2 Lots on Bank Street, close to Oak Bay Avenue at \$500 each; builders terms. Apply: Box 404, Colonist. f25

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FOR SALE—Brick Cottage and two houses, corner Hillside and Quadra, on two lots. Will sell separate at a bargain. Residence: 2650 Hillside and Quadra. f11

FOR SALE—Five acres cleared land, all fenced, near town, 5-roomed house, barn, stable, outbuildings, orchard, 750 year old fruit trees, 1,500 square feet fruit trees, young horse, buggy, harness, household furniture. Complete for \$5,500. Lee & Fraser, Trounce Ave., City. f8

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TO LET—RESIDENCES
FOR RENT—"Gibraltar," Esquimalt Harbor, 25 acres, several acres cleared, 6-roomed house, barn and outbuildings. Telephone 211. f23

TO LET—We have had placed in our hands a beautiful modern home which will be leased to an approved tenant. It has 5 bedrooms, living room 15x24, hall 18x18, dining-room 16x20, kitchen and basement; heated with hot air, and has ample grounds. Further particulars on application. Heisterman Co., 1207 Government St. f30

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FOR SALE—Registered St. Bernard dog "Thurgan." S. deTrafford Cunningham, Maywood P. O. f19

FOR SALE—Thoroughbred fox terrier puppies, two months old. Apply A. B. Irving, 422 Comorant St., or by telephone to No. 616 Between 8 and 9 o'clock. f24

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CANCELLATION OF RESERVE.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Reserve over certain lands in South-East Kootenay, notice of which appeared in the British Columbia Gazette of the 14th August, 1890, and bore date of August 12th, 1890, is hereby cancelled. The above mentioned lands will be open for location under the Land Act, R.C.O. 30, 1908. ROBT. A. RENWICK, Deputy Commissioner of Lands and Works, Lands and Works Department, Victoria, B. C., December 16th, 1907. d27

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF BRITISH COLUMBIA.

IN PROBATE.

In the matter of the Estate of George Anthony Walker, deceased.
Notice is hereby given pursuant to the "Trustees and Executors Act," that all persons having any claims or demands against the above named deceased who died on or about the 13th day of January, 1908, at the City of Victoria, B.C., are hereby required to send by registered post prepaid, or to deliver, to the undersigned solicitors herein for George Gillespie, executor under the last will of the said deceased, their names and address and full particulars in writing of their claims, and statements of their accounts, and the nature of the securities, if any held by them, duly verified by Statutory Declaration.
And Take Notice that after the 15th day of March, 1908, the said George Gillespie will not be liable for the assets of the said estate among the persons entitled thereto, having regard only to the claims of which he shall then have had notice, and that the said George Gillespie will not be liable for the said assets or any part thereof to any person or persons of whose claim he shall not then have received notice.
And Take Notice that the said estate are required to pay the amount of their indebtedness to the undersigned forthwith.
Dated at Victoria aforesaid this 3rd day of February, 1908.
MORESBY & O'REILLY,
Of Imperial Bank Chambers, corner of Government and Yates Streets, Victoria, B. C., Solicitors for the said George Gillespie, Executor.

NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that we intend making application at the next sitting of the Board of Licensing Commissioners, for a transfer from us to Eliza Dennison of the license to sell spirituous and fermented liquors by retail in the premises known as the "St. Francis Hotel" at the corner of Yates Street and Oriental Alley, in the City of Victoria. Dated at Victoria, B.C., this 14th day of February, 1908.
A. D. ROLPH,
GEO. W. WEEKS.

NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that I intend to apply to the Board of Licensing Commissioners, for a transfer to Jesse Julian Jackson of my license for the sale of wines and liquors by retail upon the premises known as the "Steel's Saloon," at the corner of Bastion Street and Commercial Alley, in the City of Victoria, and known as "Steel's Saloon." Dated this 30th day of January, 1908.
J. H. LAWSON,
C. F. TODD,
Assignees.

FOR SALE

80 ACRES—Sooke District, just inside Sooke harbor.
FINE SEA FRONTAGE—At Esquimalt, about three acres. Cheap.
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Government Assists Company
Which is Erecting Electric
Smelter Works

A bill to authorize the loan of \$10,000 to the Canada Zinc company of Nelson, B. C., was brought down by special messenger yesterday, introduced and given its first reading by the legislature.

The bill authorizes the loan to be secured by mortgage upon real and personal property and plant of the company. The latter has commenced the erection of a new smelter, and the money is required to carry on the work. The company has acquired the Dominion rights to the famous Snyder process of electric smelting, and the inception of the work is thought to be of great advantage to the province.

The bill reads as follows: "Whereas the Canada Zinc company, Ltd., is a company incorporated under the laws of British Columbia, with head office at the city of Nelson, in the province of British Columbia; and whereas the said company has organized for the purpose of treating the lead-zinc ores of the Kootenay districts, and has acquired, free from all royalties, the exclusive rights for the Dominion of Canada to use the Snyder patented method of electric smelting; and

"Whereas the said company has under construction an electric smelting plant at the said city of Nelson, and for funds to complete the same has applied to the government of British Columbia for a loan of ten thousand dollars, repayable in two years, to be secured by a first charge or mortgage on all the real and personal property and plant of the said company; and

"Whereas it appears that the completion and operation of the reduction works profitably to treat mixed lead and zinc ores would be of great benefit to the mining interests of the Kootenay districts;

"Therefore, his majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the legislative assembly of the province of British Columbia, enacts as follows:

"That the said company, in a sum of money not exceeding ten thousand dollars, repayable in two years from the date the money is advanced to the said company, together with interest at the rate of five per cent. per annum, payable yearly.

"In respect of all moneys advanced to the said company under this act, the minister of mines, on behalf of the province, shall have a first lien or charge upon all the real and personal property and plant of the said company, with the right at all times to inspect all such property, and to enter upon or in parcels, and to buy in or rescind any contract for sale and to resell, and to receive the moneys to arise from any such sale or sales; and in the first place to apply the same in payment of the costs and charges incident to such sale or sales; and in the next place in payment to the government of the province of the said moneys; and lastly, to pay the balance, if any, to the said company."

JOHN OLIVER UPON BUDGET

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Reached Their Limit
The truth, however, was that the government had reached the limit of their resources, and this was practically admitted by the finance minister, who was in his opinion the most capable of all the ministers.

Several hundred thousand acres of land suitable for settlement existed in the northern part of this island, but the majority of some 200,000 acres which had been allotted had passed into the hands of speculators. Favoritism was shown by the government in the location of public lands, and the pamphlets issued for the information of intending settlers were filled with misleading information.

He defied the hon. the finance minister, saying that one where the settler could make himself a home.

Again out of some 100,000 acres in Bulkley valley some 66,000 acres or fully two-thirds had been secured by men who were speculators pure and simple, and it was, moreover, extremely difficult to get the figures from the department.

Hon. Mr. McBride: The returns can be got in the ordinary way. The chief commissioner has nothing at all to hide. The information which ought to be furnished by this department is given the usual publicity. (Hear, hear.)

Mr. Oliver: The fact is that the hon. gentleman does not himself know how many acres of land were alienated in the last few years ago.

Hon. Mr. McBride: Let the hon. member ask the usual question, and I am quite satisfied that he will immediately get his answer.

Mr. Oliver: I have done that already, and I was told that the information required could not be got within a reasonable time.

Hon. Mr. McBride: That may easily be the case from the departmental standpoint, but the records are there, and the hon. gentleman well knows that all the information is quite easily gettable. (Applause.)

Mr. Oliver: I think I can finish in ten minutes.

Hon. Mr. McBride: Oh, you are good for half an hour yet! (Some laughter.)

Mr. Oliver then moved the adjournment of the debate.

Hon. Mr. McBride brought down a bill to authorize a loan of \$10,000 to the Canada Zinc company.

The bill was read the first time.

Time Is Extended

Mr. McPhillips, K. C., the chairman, presented the ninth report of the private bills committee, asking for an extension of time for reporting on private bills until the 25th inst.

Report of Asylum

Hon. Dr. Young presented the annual report of Dr. C. Doherty, medical superintendent of the asylum for the insane at New Westminster.

Mr. Oliver's Questions.

Mr. Oliver asked the chief commissioner of lands and works the following questions: (1) Have any seizures been made of timber logs or piles in the electoral district of Delta under the provisions of the Land act? (2) If so, when was the seizure made? (3) On what date was the seizure made? (4) What description and amount of timber was so seized? (5) What settlement, if any, was made in each case, and date of settlement? (7) Are there any cases remaining unsettled?

Mr. Oliver asked the chief commissioner of lands and works the following questions: (1) How many accidents were reported from the mines during the years 1905, 1906 and 1907, respectively? (2) Names of persons injured and nature of injuries in each case.

Hon. Mr. McBride replied as follows: (1) Five in 1905; six in 1906; four in 1907. (2) Vernon Hill, fatal; John Rundquist, crushed right knee and lower third of thigh, penetrating right back, left thigh amputation, right leg above knee; Norman McRitchie, fatal; Frank Loster, fatal; James McGregor, fatal; James Peacock, lacerated wound scalp, slight concussion of brain, ninth and tenth ribs fractured, rupture right lung; John Holmes, fatal; Charles Hadberg, fatal; J. Cavaugh, crushed two fingers on left hand; Ronald McInnes, fatal; Sam Jones, rupture muscles left calf, died from gangrene; E. Brage, fractured both bones right leg three inches above ankle; Joseph Quinn, fractured right fibula junction middle and lower third, sprained ankle; Charles Williamson, left ankle broken in several places, bone in left knee bruised; Mike Spodirryk, fatal.

First Reading.

The following bills were introduced: Vancouver Island Settlers' Rights act, 1904, by Mr. Hawthorthwaite, Nanaimo.

An act respecting the official map of the Bulkley valley townships 1A, 2A, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8 and 9, range 5, coast district, by Hon. Mr. Fulton.

An act to Regulate the Hours of Labor of Telegraphers and Signalmen—By Mr. Hawthorthwaite (Nanaimo).

An act to Amend the Labor Regulation Act, 1907—By Mr. Schofield (Ymir).

An act to Authorize a Grant to the Corporation of the City of Victoria of Certain Crown Lands Situate in Victoria Harbor—By Hon. Mr. Fulton.

Notices of Motion.

The Hon. Mr. Bowser will tomorrow introduce a bill to amend the Liquor License act, 1900.

Mr. Oliver will tomorrow enquire what public works have been carried on in Cowdrey during the present fiscal year, what the amount expended in each year, and the names of the foremen under whom the work has been carried on.

Mr. Kergin will, on Thursday enquire of the chief commissioner of lands and works, as a condition upon which the Bella Coola Development company holds its lease: 1. Does the company have to spend a stated sum at a stated time by a stated time? If so, what sum and by what time? 2. Does the company have to begin construction of mills by a stated time? If so, what time? 3. Does the company have to have in operation mills of a stated capacity by a stated time? If so, what mills and by what time?

On what condition, other than the payment of royalty, may the Oriental Power and Pulp company log timber other than pulp wood?

Petitions Presented.

The petition from Thomas Cairns and others, asking for legislation to protect the rights of pre-emptors in the K. & N. Ry. land belt, was received.

Mr. Munro presented a petition from David D. Kerr and others, of Chilliwack, opposing gun tax or gun license.

On motion of the hon. the premier, the house rose at 5:25 p. m.

DEFINES SALVAGE

Interesting Definition Given in Maritime Case by a San Francisco Judge

The definition of the word salvage as applied to maritime law was given by Judge Waddell in the San Francisco courts in the case of the tug Helen v. steamer Jefferson a few days ago, as follows: "Salvage" as used in the maritime law, comprises service rendered in connection with perils of the sea, and to vessels and other craft and instrumentalities in use in the navigation of the sea, as distinguished from those existing from ordinary casualty, such as fire or other damage to property on land not itself subject to admiralty jurisdiction. The mere fact that the property upon which the fire was extinguished was that of a vessel, will not suffice; there must have been a sea peril from which it was rescued and the vessel itself must have been at the time of the subject of a sea peril in order to support a maritime lien and afford jurisdiction in rem in the admiralty. The principles upon which salvage is awarded, beneficence of such allowances and kind of property subject to such claims, entirely exclude the idea of extending the doctrine of services of any kind, however meritorious, arising from causes accruing upon land, not cast thereon from a wreck on the sea.

PROMPT PAYMENT OF A JUST CLAIM.

To whom it may concern: On August 23, 1907, I took out a policy of insurance with the American Live Stock Association, Ltd., of Vancouver, B. C., on all my horses through their local representatives. THE COAST LOCATORS. On the 28th of January I lost one of them, insured for \$150, proof of which was made to them on the 20th of February, and on the 24th I received their cheque for the full amount. I take this method of thanking them for their promptness in settling my claim, and recommending them and their company to all owners of stock. Dated at Victoria, B. C., this 24th day of February, A. D. 1908. (Signed) JAS. E. PAINTER.

TELLS IMPRESSIONS OF CANADA AND FAR EAST

Muir Wilson Writes to Hong
Kong Paper Giving Result
of His Observations

The following letter from A. Muir Wilson of the London Daily Mail giving his impressions of Canada and the far east appears in the issue of Jan. 8 of the China Mail of Hongkong.

Canada is by far the most engrossing subject before the British public today. Imperialist in every direction, Canada's desire is to be the elder brother of Great Britain and a loyal part of the empire. Her vast unexplored territory, rich in all that greatness requires, invites the attention of strong, healthy and intelligent settlers. The remittance man and the man who won't fit in can find no room or sympathy there. Canada can feed the British nation should all other sources fail. The ideas of tariff reform and reciprocity are overshadowed by Mr. Chamberlain are the cherished desire of Canada's best sons. It behooves the mother country to act with wisdom. The "All Red Route" so dear to the heart and mind of Lord Strathcona is a household word in Canada, and if the British government is well advised it will adopt and foster the idea of this route and so unite Canada with her possessions in the antipodes by an all red route of which Britain and Canada, with Australia and New Zealand, shall reap the benefits. Vancouver can be reached from Liverpool in nine days by the famous Empress boats and the transcontinental Canadian Pacific Railway company's excellent and well equipped system. Sydney can be brought within 21 days' reach of Vancouver and so complete a speedy and remunerative route to Australasia, entering into healthy competition with the Suez over-sea route.

British capital can find safe investment for her surplus moneys in the fine farmlands, cattle ranches, and great producing acres of Canada. What Canada needs is British born sons with brains and capital to develop her vast resources. The idea of union with America is scouted and will not take place unless brought about by questions of self interest. It is true the only way to a permanent union with the British Empire is by the Canadian and United States citizens on this border line have by intermarriage and business relation much in sympathy.

The Canadian resents the claim of the citizens of the United States to the sole prerogative of the term "Americans." In his idea both are Americans. He says that one political question will forever prevent union with the States, namely the jealousy of Republican and Democrat. Neither of these great political bodies is likely to favor union between Canada and the States, owing to the disturbances of the balance of political parties. What man in the States can prophesy the view a vast body of Canadians would take of the political situation today? The majority of Republican or Democratic votes might be such as to condemn the successful aspirant for Canada's suffrages to exclusion from power for decades to come.

Canada is determined that her country shall be the country of the white man, and that neither Japanese nor Hindoo shall monopolize their western province of British Columbia. With the Japanese and Chinese question she can deal. With the Hindoo it is different. The Hindoo is a British subject, entitled to live in any part of the empire—even in Canada. Here he is not welcome, and this question is becoming a serious one for the consideration of the home government. If the Canadian is to be compelled to accept the Hindoo because he is a British subject then her Imperialism and loyalty to the British flag may sustain such a strain as may lead to the rupture of her pleasant relations with the Orient.

Canada has to look out for her own interests without reference to British sentiment.

A much more serious thing for Great Britain is her relations both politically and commercially with Japan. A personal visit to Japan, Korea, and Manchuria, is necessary to properly understand Japan's position and line of action. Every European in these countries condemns the Japanese, and from a recent visit there the writer is convinced that such condemnation is more or less just. Japan, unlike the British in South Africa, believes that to the victor belongs the spoils, and so Japan and Korea are for the Japanese. The British is no longer required to have any measure of the habits of Western organization and the management of its political, commercial and economic concerns. The Japanese thinks he can walk alone. But a keen observer will see that the Japanese is not in fact reaping the full benefit of the success of the late war and of the Japanese alliance. He is, however, a brutal disregard of life, amounting almost to suicide, can be called bravery, lacks the western spirit of order, consolidation and a just appreciation of the science of control and direction of large financial and commercial undertakings.

On the completion of the railway from Seoul to the Yalu and from there to Mukden as also the railway from Port Arthur and Dalny (the South Manchurian line) are a disgrace to any concern putting forward the business pretension of the Japanese, who in these lines, have a magnificent opportunity of bringing the rest of the world and the treaty ports of China. Japan has had time to put these railways in the same perfect condition as those of the Imperial Chinese whose management and foresight for the comfort of travellers are all that can be desired.

An intelligent observer sees that the Anglo Japanese alliance should be allowed to disappear by effluxion of time. Rumors of Japanese claims to be mistress of the Pacific Ocean and a desire to possess the Philippine Islands raise serious political questions for Great Britain, who can never permit the American Pacific fleet to be destroyed in view of Canada's claim to the destruction, nor indeed approve of Japan's desire for more extended territory in the Pacific. A visit to Korea will soon convince an impartial critic how Japan treats a conquered race—a conquered race the Koreans are, notwithstanding the hypocrisy of the late Anglo-Korean treaty. With the Koreans, Japan has disbanded under the most cruel conditions, the possession of the railways and postal and telegraph systems, the filling up of every post of responsibility and monetary advantage by Japanese, who have driven out of posts of emolument their

so-called allies the Britons, and with an army of occupation hunting down the patriotic Korean in his native land it does not lie in the mouths of such men as Viscount Hayashi to say that Korea has been peaceably occupied in her own interests. Barbaric cruelty and oppression is the daily lot of the Koreans who refuse to submit to the Japanese voice of virtual annexation. Today, tomorrow and forever Korea has ceased to exist. On the map it will please the geographer to still continue to mark this country as Korea but the true name is Japan, and will ever be so. If Japan would show something of Russia's intelligent and civilized policy in Siberia, both in economical and railway matters then there might be some hope for Korea and the Far East. Japanese influence is baneful. It requires a further infusion of western ideas to enable Japan to take her proper place among the great nations of the world.

Responsibility for these ideas and opinions, Mr. Editor, must rest with the writer. They are not the hurriedly formed opinions of the globe trotter. They are the outcome of an intelligent observation abroad of these great political, social and commercial questions. If you are a student of the British-Japanese entente, ask yourself the question "qui bono" or what share has he or his country getting of these altered conditions in the Far East and allow him from that well-known Anglican laissez-faire then some good purpose may possibly have been served by the writer. MUIR WILSON.

Hongkong, January 8, 1908.

AMENDMENTS TO THE CIVIL SERVICE ACT

Hon. Dr. Young to Amplify
Measure When it Reaches
Committee

Some additional changes are contemplated in the civil service measure which Hon. Dr. Young has introduced to the legislature.

The minister's measure as first introduced was a skeleton bill and it is now understood that when the bill reaches committee he will be prepared with a series of amendments which will elaborate the framework already before the house. As in the case of the University bill, Hon. Dr. Young has spared no time or pains in preparing the projected act and his amendments will be offered after much consideration and expert advice.

At the time when a bill was introduced by Hon. F. J. Fulton, chief commissioner of lands and works, making the maps compiled as a result of last year's surveys, the official ones for townships 1 A, 2 A, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8 and 9, range 5, coast district of the Bulkley valley.

The bill sets forth: "Whereas in the year 1892 a survey was made of the following townships or portions of same, viz: 1 A, 2 A, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8 and 9, all in Range V, Coast district, and maps purporting to correctly represent such survey were compiled from the field notes of the surveyor, said maps and field notes being on file in the lands and works department at Victoria:

And whereas numerous errors have been found to exist in the said maps which do not properly represent the actual survey, and the true position of the monuments purported to have been planted to mark the boundaries thereby established:

And whereas in view of the errors existing in the old survey it is, advisable, in order to remove all doubts and to secure the true position of the monuments to the parties to whom they justly belong, that a rectification survey should be undertaken and new maps of the above-mentioned townships prepared:

And whereas such survey has been undertaken and correct maps have been compiled of all of the said townships, which clearly and correctly define the boundaries of all parcels of land as accepted and in the possession of the property owners at the present time:

And whereas it is advisable that the said newly compiled maps so prepared should be substituted for the old official maps, etc.

LETTERS TO EDITOR

Open Letter to Legislators.

The Honorable the Members of the Legislative Assembly: Our aidmen do not seem to have proper and just ideas on the subject of the municipal franchise, and evidently would, under their rising and universal suffrage, allow all the tramps and loose characters, male and female, in town to vote. It is to be hoped your honorable body will not grant the authority and the franchise to the tramp. The women as well as men pay city taxes and in this way uphold the city, finding the money to pay our streets, pay our mayor and policemen, the cost of the city, and in fact pay all city expenses, for all this they claim one vote only. Why then should those who do not contribute one cent be allowed to vote in an equality with those who uphold the city?

Rate and taxpayers have a deep interest in those elected to spend their money in the city. Tramps, beggars, and non-taxpayers have no interest in it. No doubt there are many excellent women and men paying no taxes who could be trusted to vote wisely, but there are the dissolute and tramps who cannot and should not be trusted. If you grant universal suffrage, the line of separation between the good and bad will be lost, and the result will be a careless and respectable citizen would be swamped. This question deserves serious consideration at the hands of our legislators. W. J. MACDONALD.

Sunday in Winnipeg

Winnipeg, Feb. 24.—Twenty-two cases against violators of the Lord's Day act were on the police court docket this morning. As on previous days, only a few convictions were made. Four cases were withdrawn, and the balance were remanded.

Boy's Suicide

New York, Feb. 22.—Despondent over a fancied idea that his father wished to get rid of him, Wm. Miller, an 18-year-old school boy, living in Brooklyn, went to his room and shot himself through the head with a revolver, dying in a hospital. A blood-stained note tightly clutched in the boy's hand and addressed to his father, said: "I shot myself because you wanted to get rid of me, and because I stole \$2.25. Good-bye." The father of the dead boy said that he knew nothing of the money referred to, nor did he know of any reason for his act.

YEAR'S OPERATIONS OF MINING COMPANY

Report of British Columbia
Copper Company to Annual
Meeting

Phoenix, B. C., Feb. 24.—News has reached here regarding the annual report of the British Columbia Copper company, limited, which recently held its annual meeting at New York. The income is given for the year ended November 30, 1907, as \$88,155.42, while the surplus is given as \$176,941.31. The feature is the payment of \$75,000 of the Lone Star and Washington mine, a property located across the line in Washington. The dividend paid amounts to \$201,200.

President Colgate Hoyt and Secretary-Treasurer R. H. Eggleston submitted a brief report of the operations of the company for the last year and the results obtained therefrom, in which they said, in part: "In many respects the year ended November 30, 1907, has been the most trying and the hardest ever experienced in the history of your company. In the winter of 1906-7 the northwest was subjected for many weeks to the most serious fuel famine ever known. When the fuel famine was relieved it was too late to market our production at the higher prices for copper current in the early part of 1907, owing to great shortage of cars and the fact that our copper is paid for at quotations of a subsequent date to its shipment."

"Although we have at Greenwood one of the latest and best equipped smelters, with three blast furnaces and converting plant, and a capacity of about 2,000 tons of ore per day, we were only able to operate our plant for about half its entire capacity, this unsatisfactory operation being brought about through circumstances which were entirely beyond our control."

"In July last, having, as we supposed, overcome the embarrassments that surrounded us early in the year, and with copper selling in excess of 22 cents per pound, your directors felt warranted in declaring a dividend on the capital stock, amounting to 40 cents per share, being paid out of the surplus earnings and the first dividend paid by the company. At the time this dividend was declared we could not foresee the financial crisis which overcame the entire country and the unprecedented decline in the price of copper, which by October, 1907, had fallen to about one-half the price at which it was selling when the dividend was declared."

"We have joined during the last year, from our own properties, 268,231 tons of ore, but the development has been so thoroughly pushed that we have been able to block out much more ore than we have taken from the mines."

"Owing to the very low price of copper and the exceptional high cost of operating the same, it was thought advisable to close down the mines and reduction works last November, which course was pursued by all the other companies in the same territory, and work has not yet been resumed."

The financial statement is as follows: Assets—Cost of properties, book value, \$2,556,881.79; inventories of material and supplies, \$165,927.45; accounts receivable, \$282,236.51; cash on hand and in bank, \$56,409.36; total inventories and current assets, \$504,673.32; deferred items, prepaid insurance, taxes and interest, \$5,571.81; total, \$3,066,129.92.

Capital stock, authorized, \$3,000,000; current liabilities: loan payable \$100,000; accounts payable \$190,491.35; debentures, Greenwood office, \$59,353.05; total capital and liabilities, \$2,783,844.40.

Reserve for allowances on accounts receivable, \$106,244.21; surplus, \$176,941.31.

MUSIC AND DRAMA

"Forty-five Minutes From B-o-a-d-way"

"Forty-five Minutes From B-o-a-d-way" is too well known to the actors in this city to call for any extended notice. It is slinky and full of bathos, but the songs are always picturesque and never vulgar, and the bathos is relieved from absurdity by the clever acting of Mr. Scott Welch as "Kid Burns," and Miss Frances Gordon as "Mary." The songs are catchy, but they are also so well-known that comment is superfluous. As presented at the Victoria last night it was admirably staged, and very well acted throughout. The support to the principals was very good. The audience was equal to the capacity of the house and, as Mr. Welch has appeared in the same role here several times, he can ask no better tribute to his presentation of the New York boy and the popularity of his play.

"Antony and Cleopatra."

Charles B. Hanford, who brings to the Victoria theatre on Saturday next, his magnificent scenic revival of "Antony and Cleopatra" is one of the few actors who make their productions strictly in accordance with their own ideas. From year to year his representations have kept pace in scenic grandeur with the ever-increasing brilliancy of his personal fame. And this performance is universally regarded as the culminating achievement of his career, both as a player and a producer. The role of Antony is one whose demands of personal grace, musical voice, and intelligent reading, make it peculiarly congenial to Mr. Hanford's talents, and he has proved no less welcome to an always admiring public as the Antony of "Cleopatra's" company than he was as the Antony of Julius Caesar's imperial household. Miss Alice Wilson is cast for the part of Cleopatra, one which enables her to win distinction as an interpreter of the women of the classics. The play will be produced with extraordinary equipment, including a premiere danseuse and a corps de ballet, a leader of the orchestra, a group of choruses and an expert electrician. Novel pictorial effects will be introduced to lend atmosphere to the stage pictures which afford a setting for this stupendous tragedy of the Nile.

Pantages Theatre

This week the Pantages offers a good bill which pleased the audiences at the opening performances yesterday. Mystics, the human chameleon, who comes from Muskylone and Cook's Egyptian Hall of Mystery, London, has a turn that is entirely new. His lightning changes of costume is wonderful and must be seen to be appreciated. Polk and Martella, the rough house comedians, are a good team of humorists. The U. S. singing Four introduce some

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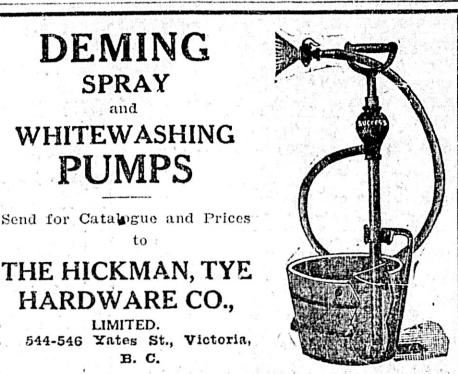
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DR. PARKIN'S VIEWS

Canada And Her Relations With the Mother Country and the United States
Halifax, Feb. 24.—Dr. G. R. Parkin, Rhodes scholarship trustee, left last night for England. He addressed the Canadian club on Saturday afternoon on "Canada and the United States, on the American Continent." He said we share the continent on equal terms, and each must work out its development independently. He referred to the fact that Canada was looming largely in the world's eye and that in England and everywhere in the Empire he found people greatly interested in Canada and her problems and looking to her as leader of the Empire. The future of the Dominion would be best achieved by retaining connection with the mother land. Comparing Canada with the United States, Dr. Parkin said we had the advantage of British connection, of climate, which squeezed out the southern races and made for a hardy, virile race, precluding all possibility of the race problem which vexed the United States. He made a strong plea for purity in political life and for enlisting in the service of the state the best men from the colleges, declaring that we were far behind Britain in this respect.

THREE CHILDREN BURNED

Were Left Locked Up in House by Parents And Overturned an Oil Lamp

Ottawa, Feb. 24.—Three children of Mr. and Mrs. James Stanley, of Madawaska, have been burned to death as the result of an oil lamp overturning. The victims were aged five years, three years, and three months. The parents left the house and locked the children in and nothing further was known until the house was in flames. Neighbors tried to rescue the little ones, but it was too late.

Fredericton Editor Dead

Fredericton, N. B., Feb. 24.—Major Henry A. Cropley, editor and publisher of the Fredericton Capital, is dead, aged 70 years. He had been a journalist for thirty-five years.

Well Known Florist Dead

Toronto, Feb. 24.—Fred C. Miller, a well known florist and for many years a prominent figure in municipal business life of York township, died today at his home in Braxendale.

Chinese Against Gambling

Toronto, Feb. 24.—Seventeen Chinamen have forwarded a petition to the mayor asking for the suppression of gambling among their fellow countrymen in this city.

Railway Discipline

Toronto, Feb. 24.—During the past week the Grand Trunk railway has dismissed eight employees for disobeying rules. Six of them were dismissed for swearing on passenger trains and two others for drunkenness.

Lightly Sentenced

Kingston, Ont., Feb. 24.—Justice Price this morning sentenced Alexander Babcock to one year in the Central prison for bigamy, and suspended sentence on the charge of cruelty in breaking the arm of his four months old baby while in a passion.

Another Postoffice Robbery

Ruthven, Ont., Feb. 24.—The post-office was robbed here yesterday, the thieves getting away with a few dollars and some stamps. This is the fifth postoffice robbery in Essex county during the past few weeks.

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LADIES' COSTUME, in wool pongee, hip length coat, tight fitting back, single-breasted, with outside pockets, seam finished with stitched straps, collar and cuffs of contrasting shade, fifteen-gored pleated skirts, finished with bias fold near foot.

LADIES' COSTUME, in fawn stripe, single breasted front, with vest of French braid, butterfly sleeve, with deep cuff and finished with lace, semi-fitting back, coat lined throughout with silk, circular cut skirt, finished with two bias folds.

LADIES' COSTUME, in fawn Panama cloth, hip length coat, with pointed effect front and back, tight fitting back, single breasted, with outside buttons, collar and cuffs of contrasting shade, lined throughout with silk, skirt fifteen-gore with bias fold near foot.



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Regular \$10.00. Wednesday at **\$6.65**
Regular \$10.75. Wednesday at **\$7.00**
Regular \$12.50. Wednesday at **\$8.35**
Regular \$15.00. Wednesday at **\$10.00**
Regular \$25.00. Wednesday at **\$15.00**

Spring House Cleaning

It is the most satisfactory way of cleaning your carpets. No dust or dirt flying about the house when using this method. Every particle is drawn by suction through tubes from your carpets. No furniture moving, in fact all heavy, distasteful work accompanying spring housecleaning is done away with when using

The Vacuum House Cleaner

Charming New Spring Waists Specially Priced For Wednesday

\$1.75 Regular Values up to \$3.00 for **\$1.75**



These are the very best values we have ever offered this season and is a piece of good fortune of which thrifty shoppers will eagerly take advantage. The assortment includes an unusual variety of fascinating styles, all beautifully made in the most favored materials for Spring and Summer wear, including Persian Lawns, Mulls and Organdies, beautifully embroidered and fine tucked fronts and handsomely trimmed with fine valenciennes lace and embroidery, with full length sleeves and three-quarter style. A good many of the prices of these dainty waists are up as high as \$3.00, but they are specially priced on Wednesday at **\$1.75**



Final Clean-Up on Axminster Carpets

Only one more week to take advantage of our Great Carpet Offering. Hundreds of grades have been sold, but there are many good designs left, and during this week's offer the choice of any Axminster in stock, that sold regular for \$2.00 per yard. During our Feb. Sale, at, per yard..... **\$1.25**

Tape Girdle Corsets

Wednesday 25c Regular 50c

A specially fine bargain is to be had in Tape Girdle Corsets on Wednesday. These are made of mercerized tape, in different colorings, and are a very comfortable corset. They are in sizes of 20 and 21 inches only. Regular value 50c. Special for Wednesday **25c**

150 Shades at 25c Each

On Wednesday morning we offer 150 shades that are slightly soiled, in greens, fawns and cream, with guaranteed spring rollers and in first-class working order, worth regular at from 50c. to 85c. each. Wednesday, each **25c**

Velour Portieres Under-priced

25 PAIR VELOUR PORTIERS, in reds, greens, blue and old gold, with silk cord edge, reversible, 50 in. x 95 in. Regular value \$15.00. February Sale, at, per pr.... **\$9.75**

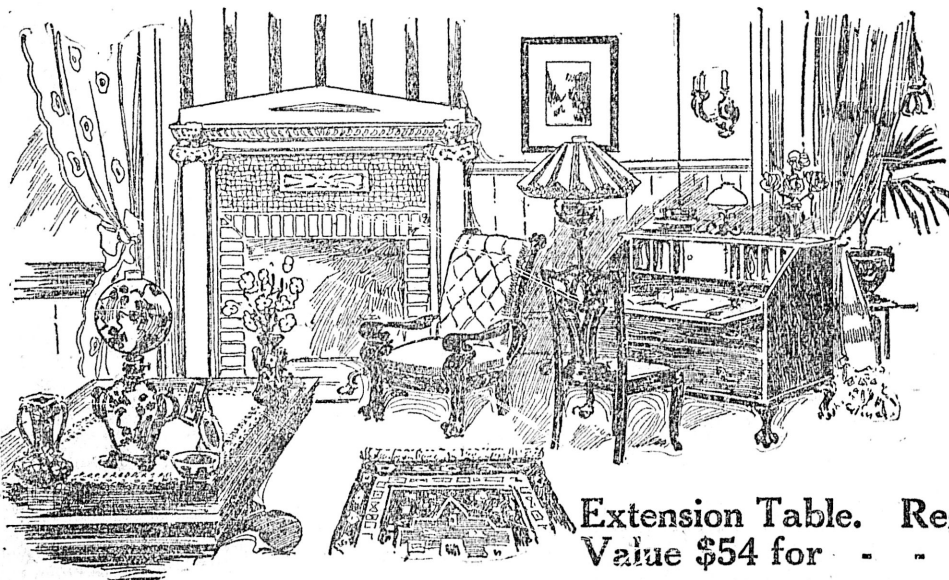
Tremendous Move Out on Brussels Carpets

When an opportunity is offered to buy Reliable Carpets at the present prices 'tis small wonder the quantity we're selling. However, whether you wish to consider carpet for a room or a hotel, we're amply prepared to supply it and to save you dollars on your purchases. Regular \$1.35 to \$1.50. Feb. Sale price per yd..... **\$1.15**

New Spring Footwear

See our splendid showing of New Spring Styles in Footwear which is priced most moderate consistent with quality.

Only Few Days Left to Purchase Furniture at Feb. Sale Prices



A Splendid Stock of Chairs in Golden Oak, Beautifully Finished, are to be had at Money-Saving Prices

Extension Table. Reg. **\$44**
Value \$54 for

EXTENSION TABLE, made of solid quartered oak, 10 foot, oval shape when closed, supported by three separate elbows, is a very attractive piece of furniture. Regular value was \$54.00. Wednesday **\$44.00**

Extension Table. Reg. **\$64**
Value \$80 for

EXTENSION TABLE, handsome colonial design, made of solid quartered oak, beautifully finished, size 10 feet x 52 inches, supported by heavy cluster of 5 pillars upon platform base. Regular value was \$80.00. Wednesday **\$64.00**

Extension Table. Reg. **\$48**
Value \$60 for

EXTENSION TABLE, made of solid quartered oak, handsomely carved and beautifully polished, size 10 feet x 4 feet, has square ends and is an exceptionally good piece of furniture. Regular value \$60.00. On Wednesday **\$48.00**

See Government Street Window Display for Exclusive Style Costumes

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See Window Display of Exclusive Styles in Ladies' Spring Costumes